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Shirt-Sleeve Work for Secretary of Agriculture Brannan (right above) and Undersecretary Al Loveland, of Iowa. Brannan and Loveland have been working for months with a team of USDA men to try to pull together ideas of congressmen, farm organization leaders and economists into a workable farm program. For their recommendations on ways to keep up your farm income, turn to page 26.

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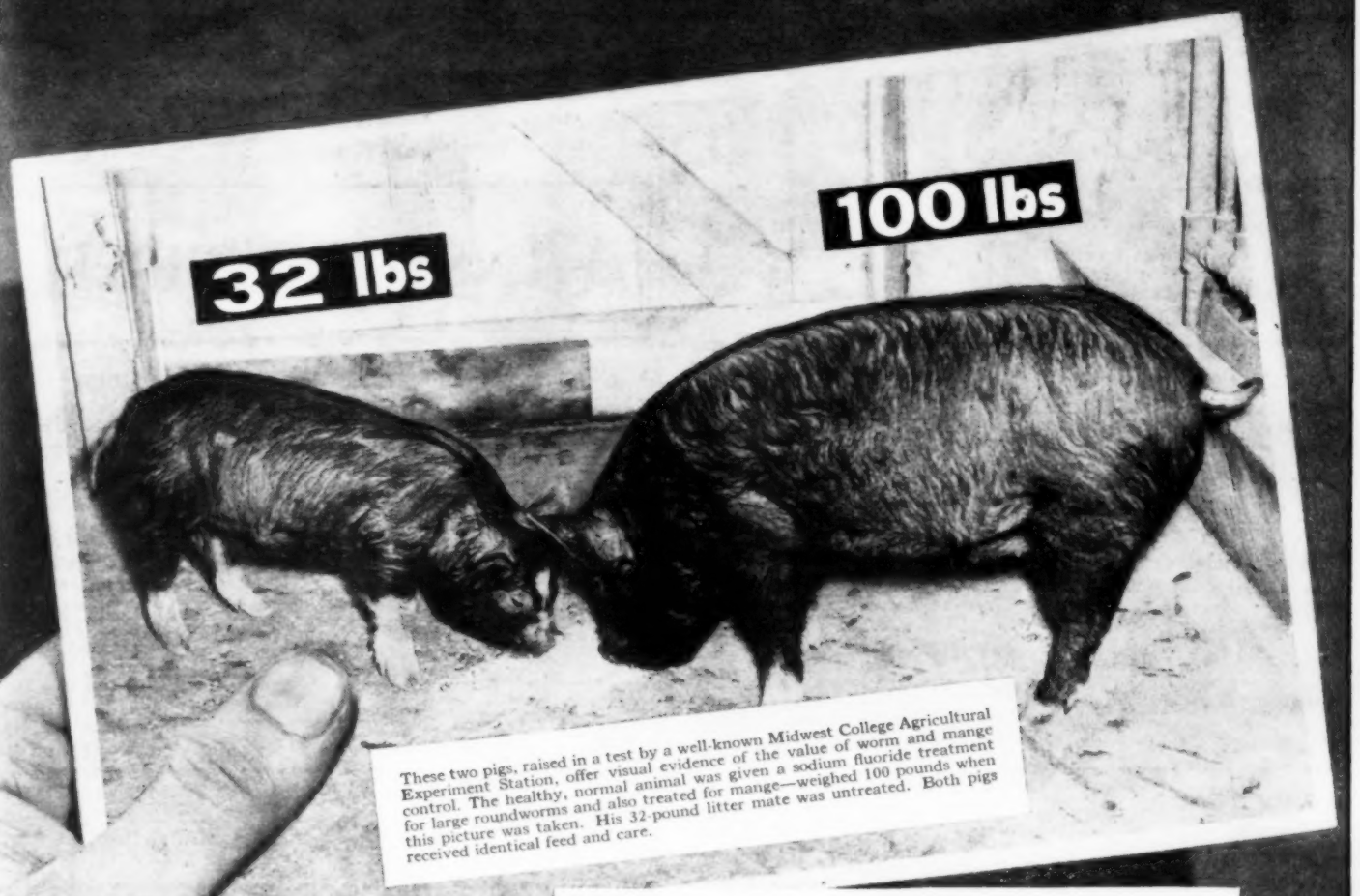

These two pigs, raised in a test by a well-known Midwest College Agricultural Experiment Station, offer visual evidence of the value of worm and mange control. The healthy, normal animal was given a sodium fluoride treatment for large roundworms and also treated for mange—weighed 100 pounds when this picture was taken. His 32-pound litter mate was untreated. Both pigs received identical feed and care.

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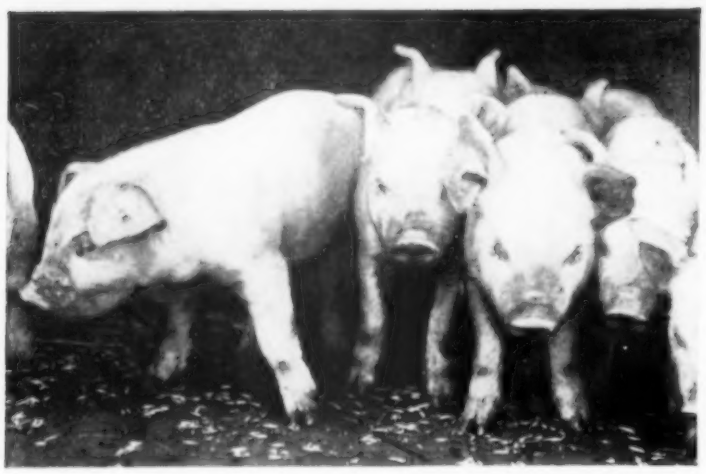

BY WEANING TIME you have a sizable investment tied up in your pigs. How much you realize on that investment depends largely on how you feed your pigs from now on. If you "follow through" with sound management practices and a balanced ration you stand to make more money at a lower over-all cost.

WITH FULL CRIBS and spring weather coming on there is a great temptation to put pigs on pasture and corn alone. But, that is too expensive. Your pigs won't gain as fast either. For faster, cheaper gains, self feed a BALANCED SUPPLEMENT with your corn.

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Mules Are News these days. So the cameraman stopped to shoot this team pulling a manure spreader for Glen Soper, Adair county, Iowa. Tractors do almost all the chores these days, but sometimes a horse (or mule) lover holds on to a good team.

INSIDE STUFF

A LATE SPRING piles up the work, brings sore muscles, less sleep to farmers. But crops sometimes do just as well.

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BACK IN 1942, central Iowa had a killing frost on May 16. But the corn crop still made nearly 600 million bushels that year.

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JUST THE SAME, folks like better the kind of a season when oats are all in by the first week in April and the corn ground ready for planting by early May.

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EVER HAD undulant fever? Then you probably pasteurize the milk so the rest of the family won't get the disease.

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PASTEURIZING milk is quite a chore, even with modern, new equipment. But a doctor who specializes in brucellosis in humans tells me there is no such thing as a "safe" herd.

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HE CLAIMS that even a clean herd may go wrong. And befor you find out, everybody who drinks the milk has had a chance to get the disease.

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IN A RECENT naval war game, a carrier was sunk twice. In theory, of course. A plane dropped a flare that was supposed to be an atomic bomb. A submarine got in position to blast the carrier with torpedoes.

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THE JUDGES — good navy men—gritted their teeth and counted the carrier out twice. The moral may be: Don't spend too much money on carriers or super-carriers.

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HOW LOW would corn have to go to secure a two-thirds vote for marketing quotas among corn growers? To answer that question, says a friend, you'd have to know the price of hogs, too.

WITH HIGH HOG prices and low corn prices, some men who buy corn and feed hogs might vote against quotas. If hog prices were down, too, these folks might vote for quotas.

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HOW MANY FOLKS have trouble figuring out parity? Now we have the old parity—which runs thru 1949—and the new—which starts in 1950.

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GET YOUR PENCIL. This is old parity for corn: Corn averaged 64.2 cents a bushel back in 1909-14. But the cost of things farmers buy now is 245 per cent of costs back in 1909-14.

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SO, TO FIND OUT what corn will have to bring to buy as much stuff as it bought in 1909-14, multiply 64.2 cents by 245 per cent. That gives you $1.57. See if it doesn't.

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NOW NEW PARITY is different. Same idea, but different figures. You start with the average of the last 10 years.

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SUPPOSE that average for corn is 95 cents. Divide that by 168, which is the average of the index of prices received for all farm products in the same 10 years.

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NOW MULTIPLY by 245 per cent (the same 245 as above in old parity). You get new parity at $1.39.

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ALL THIS MEANS is that the new parity uses the last 10 years as a basis for the calculation instead of a five-year period back before World War I.

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PRACTICAL point to remember is that if the new parity were working now, corn parity would be 18 cents lower than it is now and hog parity would be 42 cents higher.

DONALD R. MURPHY.

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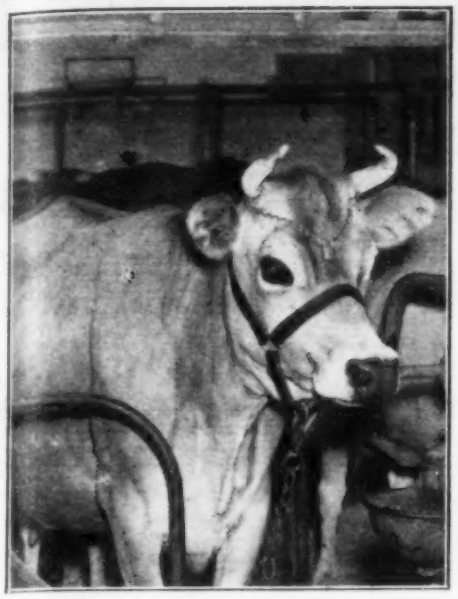

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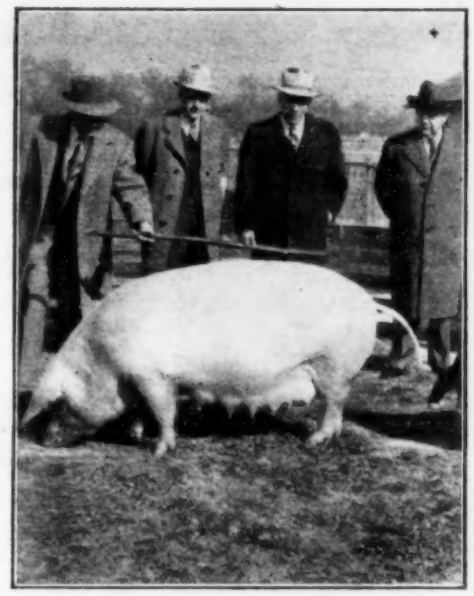


That Means Tax Saving On Hog, Cow Sales

LIVESTOCK farmers get a break on income taxes. Sows and cows, says the U. S. Circuit Court, at St. Louis, are machines. So, when they are sold, only half the profits are taxable.

This may mean $50 to $150 tax saving per year for just the ordinary 15-sow and 10-cow farmer. In some cases, it will mean much more.

If the court decision is sustained, you can file claims for overpayment of taxes for three years back. Ordinary claims might be several hundred dollars.

This is a victory for the farmer. And the Service Bureau of Wallaces' Farmer and Iowa Homestead helped to bring it about.

During nearly all of 1948, Associate Editor Homer Hush was carrying on an argument with the St. Paul office of the Internal Revenue Bureau. He was pleading for tax justice for farmers on the sale of breeding stock.

"The cow is a unit in a factory," Hush said in a letter, November 12. "Sale of cows should be on exactly the same basis as the sale of a worn-out Linotype machine by a publisher."

Now the court decision backs up the stand of Wallaces' Farmer and Iowa Homestead. Worn-out cows, and sows that raised pigs for you this spring, come under the capital assets rule. That means the profit from their sale is cut in two before being put on your income tax return.

Here is what the court said:

"Nothing in the language of the section justifies the inference that a farmer should be denied the right to treat the profits from sales of such livestock (cows and brood sows), when they are no longer profitable or fit for use in the farmer's business, as productive of capital gains and not of ordinary income."

In ordinary language, this means that money received from the sale of cows or brood sows held over six months is reported on Schedule D, and 50 per cent of the profit is transferred to Form 1040.

The rules about offsetting with other capital losses must be observed, however.

While Wallaces' Farmer and Iowa Homestead was bombarding the income tax officials with letters pleading the justice of the farmers' cause, one farmer and his lawyer took the matter to court.

R. W. Albright, who has 18 or 20 milk cows and 10 sows on his farm in Goodhue county, Minnesota, reported his sow and cow sales as capital assets.

The income tax collector demanded payment on these receipts as ordinary income. Albright paid, but started suit against the government for recovery.

Allan E. Finseth, of Kenyon, Minn., was Albright's attorney. The case was won in the circuit court at St. Louis after having lost in the district court at St. Paul.

"Will the decision stick?" We asked that question of Finseth.

"They have 90 days, or until June 10, to appeal the decision to the United States supreme court. The court could refuse to hear it," Finseth said. But he wouldn't predict the future action of the government or the courts.

What will be the effect of this decision on farmers? And how should farmers proceed now?

Let's figure this out for a farmer who keeps 20 milk cows and sells four each year, which are replaced with calves he raises. We'll say this farmer also keeps 15 gilts to raise pigs, and sells them in August after raising one litter each.

The four milk cows might bring $600 as canners or cutters. The sows might bring $750. The total would be $1,350.

Instead of entering this $1,350 with other receipts, the farmer would report the sales on Schedule D and put $675 on Form 1040.

The saving would depend on the tax bracket the farmer was in. But if the farmer's net was $4,500 for 1948, and he was married and had three exemptions, the tax under the old rule would be $377.

Now, if you take off the $675 saving thru the capital assets treatment of the cow and sow money, the net income would be $3,825. The tax table shows the tax to be $273.

The saving in this case would be $104 for one year. And the farmer can go back and correct his income tax for 1946 and 1947 as well as for 1948. The saving will vary widely. But the above example shows how it is figured. Hog farmers get the biggest break.

In this example, the farmer raised the cows and reported on the cash basis. It would be different if the cows were bought and for farmers who report on the accrual basis. But there's always a saving.

When and how should a farmer file amended returns and ask for refund of the tax paid on breeding stock?

The law says a tax-payer can file claim for refund at any time within three years of the due date of the return or the filing date, whichever is later.

This means that between now and next March 15 you can file claims for refunds on tax reports filed for 1946, 1947 and 1948. You can't go back of that under the statute of limitations.

You can file your claim now. By all means file claims for the three years 1946, 1947 and 1948 before next March, unless the U. S. Supreme Court has reversed the decision in the meantime.

The method is to file an amended return. Put your sales of breeding stock on Schedule D and take them off the farm schedule. Then figure the tax on the new basis and ask for refunds on Form 843.

SAVES MONEY FOR YOU

INCOME TAXES for farmers, on average sized farms, may be $50 to $150 less per year than now under a new court decision on taxes.

YOU MAY BE able to go back three years and make the saving on taxes paid for 1946, 1947 and 1948. Big farmers may have $500 to $1,000 coming.

TAX SAVING is due to the fact that money received from sales of dairy cows, brood sows and breeding stock is only half taxable.

THIS PAPER has been fighting for this change. Read all about it in this article. And watch for more news in coming issues.

Editorials

Income, Not Bushel-Price, Is Real Goal

WHICH do you want more? A good price per bushel or a good income per year? Every farmer will answer: "A good income every year. A high price per bushel doesn't do much good if you don't have a crop."

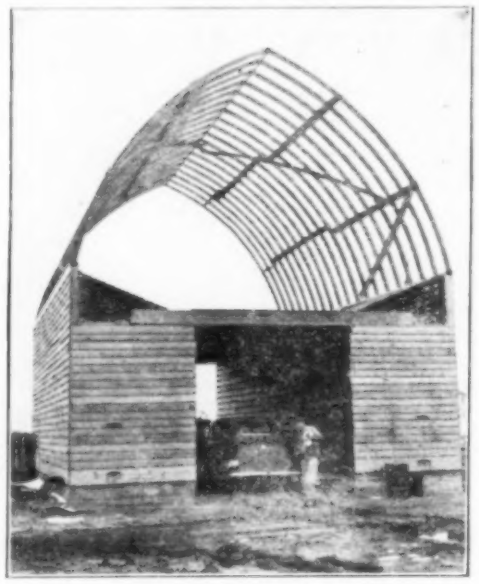
Yet our farm programs have been usually aimed at high price per bushel, not at the goal of a good annual income.

Actually, the farm law passed in 1938 did include "parity income" as a goal as well as "parity price." Yet, so far, we haven't paid much attention to the income goal.

One reason is that an income goal is harder to write into a farm program. Another is that the parity income goal of the AAA now seems a little low.

Back in 1910-14, the income per person of people on farms was about one-third of the income per person of people not on farms. Therefore, any year when farmers get one-third as much as non-farmers is a year when farmers receive 100 per cent of parity income.

The definition of parity income in the law should be revised. But, once revised, it should be used as the goal of farm programs. Income, not price per bushel or price per 100 pounds of livestock, is what we really want.



SEALING PAID

"Sealing paid for the crib," says R. E. Anderson, of Boone county, Iowa. He started to build the crib last fall, and has 2,500 bushels, sealed, in it now. He'll complete the crib this year.

Anderson is planting less corn this year, seeding down more land. "Ground is getting run down," he says.

Fall Pigs Bring Down Hog Market

FALL pigs are coming to market early. And there are lots of them. Everybody expects a drop in hog prices when the fall pigs come in, but the drop this year may be a little sharper than is ordinarily the case.

Hog prices will bounce back up in summer, as usual. But farmers wonder how big the spring slump is likely to be.

One way to figure it is by noting that support prices do not go lower than $16.25 this spring. This is the Chicago price for good and choice barrows and gilts from May 15 to June 11.

Government buying will be used, if necessary, to support hog prices at this level. Actually, government buying can't hold up hog prices in a big run, such as may develop next winter. But it won't take much buying in May and early June to keep the price above $16.25.

Blindfold May Come Off Cotton Men

THE cotton farmer has worked blindfolded for years — by order of congress. For other major crops, an intention-to-plant report is issued in March.

Farmers who see that acreage is overheavy in one field, and too light in another, can change their plans. But cotton farmers never know about acreage prospects until the first crop report.

Years ago, some congressmen from the south got excited over a drop in the cotton market when March intentions indicated a big cotton crop was on the way. So they stopped intention-to-plant reports. The price dropped anyway, of course, when the first crop report came out.

Now congress is considering a change in the law. Wallaces' Farmer and Iowa Homestead hopes the change is made. Cotton farmers are entitled to know what is going on. They should have every bit of information that will help them decide, before planting time, how many acres of cotton they should put in.

Men Who Tried Out Hybrids First

WHAT kind of farmer is the quickest to pick up new ideas? Iowa State College investigated the speed with which farmers shifted from open-pollinated to hybrid corn in two townships.

The man who heard about hybrids first and who was quick to try out the new idea could be described like this: He was younger, he read more, had gone to school more, had a higher income, and had more social contacts than the men who were slow to change.

Whether a man was an owner or a tenant didn't seem to make much difference. But it did make a difference if he had a big corn acreage, had cooperated in AAA, and had the habit of keeping farm accounts. Men of this kind shifted over to hybrids quicker than others.

How does it work in your neighborhood? What kind of farmers hear about and try out new ideas first?

Can We Head Off War?

North Atlantic Pact Raises New Questions, New Problems

ARE your sons and grandsons going to fight in World War III? That's what congress is arguing as it debates the North Atlantic Pact.

Congress hopes the pact may head off World War III. But it isn't sure.

The pact states: "The parties agree that an armed attack against one or more of them in Europe or North America shall be considered an attack against them all."

THE North Atlantic Pact admits flatly the fact everybody has recognized—that the world is split into two camps. Russia and her allies oppose the United States and her allies.

Wendell Willkie's hopes of "one world" are fading. The United Nations has received a blow.

One example is the Dutch. The UN has ordered the Dutch to take certain steps in Indonesia. The Dutch have refused. Yet the Dutch belong to the pact, and apparently will receive aid under it.

The UN slaps the Dutch on the wrist. The pact gives the Dutch more arms.

John F. Dulles, Republican adviser on foreign affairs, indicates that it may have been a mistake to get Norway into the pact.

Norway, Sweden and Denmark wanted to form a Scandinavian bloc, and to stay outside the pact.

Our State Department urged the Norwegians and Danes to come in with us.

Russia and Norway have a common frontier. Under the pact, Norway will be entitled to military aid from us.

What will that mean to Russia? Says Dulles:

"It would indeed involve a high tribute to Soviet leaders to assume that under these circumstances they would exercise more self-control than would our own people under comparable circumstances, as, for example, if the Soviet Union had military arrangements with a country at our border."

IN OTHER words, how would we like it if Mexico and Cuba joined the Russian bloc and arranged to get military help from Russia?

That's the way Russia may look at our deal with Norway.

We are assuming other risks in the future. Suppose De Gaulle comes to power in France and wants to take a chance on war with Russia? Do we have to come to his help?

Suppose the Nazis, who are trying to return to power in western Germany, revive Hitler's anti-Bolshevik crusade? Do we help Hitler's successors?

THE hope of the North Atlantic Pact is that it may give Europe a feeling of security and so aid in getting business going again.

As it stands, the pact may help to head off World War III or help to bring it on. It depends upon how skillfully President Truman and Secretary Acheson handle our part in it.

Farm Families That Work For Wages

BACK in 1940, about one-third of Iowa's hired men were married. Maybe more are now. At least, there are 20,000 families that belong in the hired-man class.

What chances have these folks to graduate into the renter or owner class? Not so good, if you ask them. Best chance seems to be for a married man who is able to get help from relatives to get a start.

Iowa is a state of family farms. Yet, in 1940, there were 60,000 hired men on Iowa's 200,000 farms.

As farmers get older, and still want to stay on the farm, the hired man becomes more important.

What kind of a deal does a hired man get these days? And what kind of help are farmers able to hire?

If You Ever Helped To Run A Meeting

HAVE you ever worked on a committee to run a fair, or a community supper, or a farm organization meeting? Then you know how often one person wants one thing and another person wants something just the contrary.

It's a job to get a plan worked out that pleases everybody, makes nobody mad, and yet gets the thing done.

Because every farmer and farm woman has had experiences like these, they will sympathize with the problem of Secretary Brannan and his associates in trying to work out a farm program that will give fair consideration to differing points of view and still get the job done.

Turn over to page 26 and read about Brannan's recommendations. And as you read, remember how hard a time your local committee had to reach agreement on your local problem. It is lots tougher when you're planning for the whole United States.

"I Like Cheap Corn"

THAT'S what some cattle and hog feeders say. The influence of corn-buying farmers shows in the results of the Wallace-Homestead Poll reported on page 8.

A hog feeder who habitually feeds all the corn he raises and then buys several thousand bushels more may be inclined to say: "Fifty-cent corn looks good to me."

But it won't look good very long. Cheap corn turns into cheap hogs mighty fast. It turns into cheap beef and cheap butter a little more slowly. But, in the end, that's what always happens.

Iowa hog men could make money in December of 1938 by buying corn at 38 cents a bushel and selling hogs at $6.85. But a year later hogs had dropped 30 per cent.

In December of 1926, feeders could buy corn for 57 cents and sell hogs for $10.80. Good business. But, a year later, hogs were 29 per cent lower.

Dollar corn on many corn belt farms last winter is forcing up hog production for 1949. And hog prices next winter will be lower.

Cheap corn always makes cheap hogs. We should have learned that back in the thirties. Do we have to learn it all over again—and pay high for the lessons?

Odds *and* Ends

CORN loan is 90 per cent of parity, but the market price of corn is only 75 per cent. Better get a new crib for next fall.

"WHETHER we have a crop control program depends on our carry-over," says a farmer in Johnson county, Iowa. "Business men don't keep stocking their shelves when the goods don't move."

LOWER food prices and three million unemployed have reduced chances for another round of wage boosts this spring. Congress may increase minimum wages, tho, but not as much as President Truman has asked.

ONE Black Hawk county, Iowa, farmer says: "I read all about what folks say hog prices are going to be, but I never pay any attention. I raise just what hogs I can handle with my buildings, year in and year out. I'm a renter."

IOWA has about half the nation's total of corn under government seal. Nebraska is in second place, with less than half the Iowa total.

PAYING taxes in March always takes a lot of money out of circulation and helps to slow down business. As soon as the government starts spending more money in a month than it takes in, business will get a shot in the arm.

FARM products, on the average, are a little above parity. That is, they'll buy more of non-farm goods than in the 1910-14 period.

BUT it makes a lot of difference what you have to sell. Veal calves and lambs are away above parity. But eggs are 88 per cent of parity, grapefruit 31 per cent, and oats 71 per cent.

ONE economist says: "We aren't going to have another 1920-21, or another 1930-33. But the price level is going down."

THE more the average consumer is paid, the more milk and cream he'll buy. From 1942 to 1948, disposable income per person rose 51 per cent. Prices of milk and cream rose 38 per cent.

ARE you old enough to want to retire in 10 years? One way to be sure of retirement income is to put away $900 a year in U. S. Savings Bonds. That will give you $100 a month starting 10 years from now and lasting thru a 10-year period.

GOALS for farm production this year are 10 per cent above 1948 for livestock and 2 per cent under 1948 for crops. But will income of folks who buy livestock be up 10 per cent?

Song of the Lazy Farmer

TODAY I started my spring work, no longer could I dodge and shirk, my conscience wouldn't let me stay inside another single day. So, somewhat sadly, to be sure, I started an inspection tour to size up things that must be done before I stop again for fun. Imagine my surprise to see that lots of things were new to me; apparently, all winter long, Mirandy kept on goin' strong, and while I rested in my chair she launched new projects ev'rywhere. So much has changed since 'way last fall, I hardly know the place at all.

Why, half the plowing's done, I'd guess; machin'ry I left in a mess is all fixed up and set to go; someone's been fixin' fence, I know; the brooder's full of chicks half-grown; it looks like all the oats are sown. Tho I ain't made a livestock plan to tell my wife and hired man, I see they've bought a dozen sows and have the barn filled up with cows. A croppin' plan's been figured out, I can't tell what it's all about; there's even one field turning green with some crop I ain't never seen. But, shucks, it's all okay with me, I'll head back to my chair, by gee.

Audubon county, Iowa, farmer, Alfred M. Christensen, said that 60-cent corn would make him vote for quotas.

Fred York, of Dallas county, Iowa, would vote for quotas if price of corn falls to 80 cents per bushel.

What's A Fair Corn Price?

THE WALLACE - HOMESTEAD POLL asked: "With other prices as they are, what would you say would be a fair price for corn over the next five years?"

FARMERS ANSWERED:

$2.00	1%
1.50	28%
1.25	35%
1.00	30%
.90	3%
.80	2%
.70	1%

Before You'd Vote Quotas---

How Low Would Corn Have To Go?

Tables on this page show outcome of a Wallace-Homestead Poll dealing with Iowa farm opinion on corn price and marketing quotas. Following comment on the results is by Donald R. Murphy.

WHAT'S a "fair" price for corn? Iowa farmers interviewed answer, on the average: "Around $1.25."

Why did farmers pick such a low price? Men who buy corn and don't sell any would naturally pick a price lower than those who sell. Other farmers—with the present price of hogs in mind—may have felt that they wouldn't worry about corn prices as long as hog prices stay high.

In the long run, of course, low corn prices turn into low hog prices. But not everybody stops to think about that.

How low would corn have to go before you would vote for marketing quotas? Farmers had different answers. For the whole group interviewed, corn would have to go to 70 cents before a two-thirds vote could be mustered to approve marketing quotas.

How far would corn have to drop under a "fair" price for farmers to vote for quotas? On the average, most farmers interviewed would permit a 35-cent drop under what they think is a fair price before they'd vote for quotas.

Farm views, as reported in this poll, might change sharply later on if prices went into a slump. As one man said: "It's hard for me to say in advance how loud I'd holler when you stick a pin into me." So farmers may vote differently when and if the pin of low prices actually is driven into their skins.

How accurate is a survey like this? These same farmers, in a test question, reported a 2 per cent decrease in corn acreage at the same time that the BAE reported a 1 per cent decrease.

Apparently, a cross-section of Iowa corn producers was interviewed. But questions of opinion—and opinion on a subject that is still being explored and debated—do not ordinarily give answers as accurate as questions concerning corn acreage.

In election forecasts, a margin of four points is customary. That is, if the poll predicts John Smith has 40 per cent of the vote, the actual result may be somewhere between 36 and 44 per cent.

On questions of opinion, margins are likely to be greater. This poll shows 68 per cent would vote for marketing quotas if the price of corn dropped to 70 cents a bushel. This may mean that somewhere between 60 and 76 per cent of Iowa corn farmers might vote for marketing quotas with corn at 70 cents.

On this particular question, farm opinion may shift sharply as discussion goes on. For this reason, the Wallace-Homestead Poll will make later surveys on the same subject.

Here are some comments from farmers on the question:

"I simply don't like the government sticking its hands in our business. I always made money feeding cattle, and can not see aid to farmers."—Shelby County.

"For me, crop controls and acreage allotments can start any time. I'm for anything that will take care of the farmer."—Johnson County.

"I buy most of the corn we use, and would like to see it cheaper. It could get down to 50 cents without bothering me."—Appanoose County.

"Corn borers may whittle the crop down so we won't have to worry about controls."—Guthrie County.

"We may not like production controls, but we'd better get ready for them. It looks as if that is the best way to help our income, and it will save our land at the same time."—Johnson County.

"Corn should be supported at the present $1.36 per bushel. I'm not in favor of controls even if the price goes lower. All it would do is to create more bureaucratic jobs, and God knows there are too many now."—Audubon County.

"I'm ready for a control program now. It should include conservation, too."—Tama County.

If Corn Dropped To 70 Cents---

WALLACE-HOMESTEAD POLL ASKED: "How low would corn prices have to go before you would be willing to accept a crop control program with acreage allotments and marketing quotas, with penalties for growing or marketing more than your quota?"

FARMERS ANSWERED:

$1.50	4%	$ .80	17%
1.25	5%	.70	11%
1.00	15%	.60	5%
.90	16%	.50	10%

Wouldn't want controls no matter how low prices dropped 17%

Farmers Liked 2,4-D Results

1948 Tests Sold Them On Value Of Weed-Killers

By WALLY INMAN

IF YOU want to know what a man thinks of a product, ask him if he intends to use it again. Do that on 2,4-D and you'll find just about everyone who used it before intends to use it again—on a broader scale.

Talk to Walt Runge, Mitchell county, Iowa. Last year, he sprayed 700 acres of corn, small grain, pastures and fence rows. He used an ester type 2,4-D.

"In the corn, we were mainly after morning-glories and button-weeds. In the pasture, we were after some scattered thistles. We've been after the thistles three years," Runge explains.

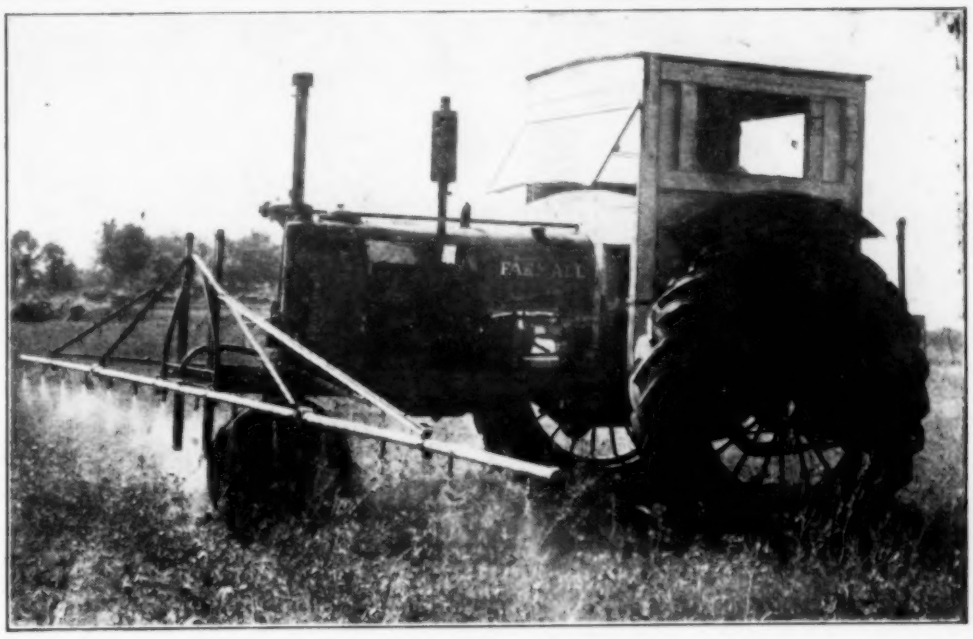
"You can kill thistles, but not in one application nor in one year. But 2,4-D works," he says.

"That stuff is the best thing I've ever seen for morning-glories. One 40 was really bad. We went in there with a 30-foot boom, left it a week, and the boys went right thru with the cultivator," he says.

"Before spraying, you probably could not go 20 rods without stopping to fight the 'glories off the cultivator."

Naturally, he intends to use 2,4-D again this year.

Jerry Michels is another Mitchell county farmer who used 2,4-D last summer. He compared ester and amine types on small grain and pasture; used amine only on corn.



Even Tho your sprayer was adjusted just the way you wanted it last season, check it carefully before you use it this spring. Bob Caldwell, of Dallas county, Iowa, is using plain water to check this 24-foot outfit in a pasture.

"I sprayed corn between the second and third cultivations. I left 30 rows (three acres) as a check, and didn't cultivate it the first time. I crossed it the first time over, sprayed, and then laid it by. That was just as clean, yielded as much as the rest of the corn," Michels said.

But he feels everyone needs a little more education on 2,4-D. He spent a pretty worried summer. As it turned out, he had nothing to worry about. But things could have been different.

"I must have put on too much, tho I followed instructions," he says. "My corn twisted pretty badly; it was brittle, and some stalks broke off when I laid it by. The wind broke off some more.

"I thought I'd ruined it, but it averaged almost 80 bushels, so I guess the stand was good enough that no real harm was done. But I sweat it out plenty," he grins.

He was fighting thistles in the small grain and pasture. He hasn't got them licked, but "in two or three years I'll have them," he thinks.

He couldn't see much difference in the ester type and the amine type in the pasture — except that the ester worked faster.

Michels figures that landlord and tenant should split the cost of the chemical. The tenant should own the sprayer and do the work, since there are many other uses for a sprayer.

O. P. Jacobson, Worth county, Iowa, manages the Atwood Stock Farm. He tried both ester and amine. He was after mustard, thistles and smartweed in low places.

"Results were very satisfactory on pasture and small grain. In corn, I sprayed amine type over the top, but before it could work on weeds, pigeon grass started, and I got cold feet. I started to cultivate, and 2,4-D didn't have long enough to soak into the roots," Jacobson says.

"After my experience, I am not afraid of thistles or any other weed as long as I plant clean seed. Not even of quack, for beans two years in a row will control it," he says.

So you know Jacobson likes 2,4-D.

What do landlords think of it? Ask E. A. Westbury, who lives in Iowa Falls, but owns a Franklin county farm.

He and his tenant, Kenneth Campbell, used amine type on corn, the ester type on thistle patches. In a field so foul that a crop of sweet corn could scarcely be harvested in 1947, Campbell ended up with almost weed-free corn in 1948.

"We're well pleased. We plan to use it on all our corn this year," Westbury says. Who will pay the cost?

"Last year, the weeds in that field were so bad I bought all the dope. But from now on we think 50-50 is a fair split on cost of the chemical," he says.

DON'T TAKE CHANCES

VALUABLE tho they are, chemical weed-killers can be dangerous.

Manufacturers, and plant pathologists like "Dutch" Sylwester, at Iowa State College, don't issue warnings just to be talking.

Here's a case in point:

Harold Machin works for Walt Runge, Mitchell county, Iowa. He did the 2,4-D spraying on Runge's farm.

After they'd used the weed-killer, Machin and Runge decided to use DDT on the bugs and worms in the potato patch and garden.

"People aren't kidding when they tell you to clean that sprayer," says Machin. "We started spraying with DDT. Boy, we curled that whole garden and a quarter of an acre of potatoes, too. I knew you should clean the sprayer. But I just didn't think 2,4-D was that potent.

"I've been razzed so much a little more won't hurt. Put that story in the paper and maybe others will be more careful."

If you've used your sprayer for 2,4-D, and then want to use it to spray DDT near gardens, shrubs, flowers or grapevines, clean the sprayer thoroly.

Here's Sylwester's method: Wash several times with hot, soapy water, and flush with clear water. Then fill sprayer with clean water, to which you have added household ammonia at the rate of one quart per 25 gallons of water. Leave that solution in the sprayer overnight. Then flush it out.

To check, test-spray young tomato plants with clear water.

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Workday Pointers

SLIGHTLY LARGER corn planter plates are necessary if you drive the planter at high speed.

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HOGS DO BEST on cooked potatoes. Other livestock seems to thrive best on potatoes in the raw form.

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FRONT WHEELS of a tractor should be inspected and adjusted at least twice during the heavy spring field work.

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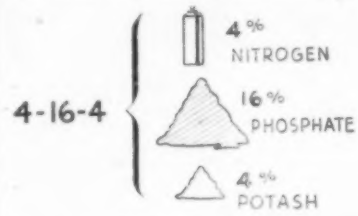
THOSE FIGURES on your fertilizer sacks mean percentage of nitrogen, phosphate and potash, in that order. Thus, 4-16-4 contains 4 per cent of total weight nitrogen,



16 per cent phosphate and 4 per cent potash. A sack of 8-32-8, if such a combination were made, would be worth just twice as much as a sack of 4-16-4, and you should apply it at half the rate per acre.

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THE GRASSES respond to nitrogen fertilizer. Sod-bound blue grass or brome grass probably is suffering from lack of nitrogen.

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ROTATION GRAZING is better for both cattle and grass. Electric fences can be used to divide pastures into two or three parts.

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NO FEED IS SAVED by turning cattle on pasture before the grass makes a good bite for a cow. Feed saved in the spring is more than lost in the summer and fall.

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LUMPY CEMENT can be used if the lumps form because the cement was piled in one place for a long time. But if the lumps were caused by moisture, the cement might as well be thrown away.

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TWO LADDERS for every farm are advocated as a fire preventive measure by Don L. Berry, editor of a Warren county, Iowa, newspaper. One ladder should be long enough to reach the eaves of the tallest building, and the other should be a hook-ladder to lay on the roof.

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SUPERPHOSPHATE placed in the cow barn gutters at the rate of one pound per day per cow will greatly increase the value of the manure to your crops. The superphosphate (ordinarily known as 0-20-0) will prevent loss of nitrogen besides adding phosphorus to the manure.

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WHEN YOU DRY 1,000 bushels of corn from 20.5 per cent moisture to 15.5 per cent moisture, you have 935.8 bushels. The shrink is almost 65 bushels. When you dry 1,000 bushels of 18 per cent corn down to 15.5 per cent moisture, you have 965.4 bushels of corn. Shrink is about 35 bushels.

FERTILIZER is most effective when used along with good crop rotations.

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IF SPRING PIGS are ear-marked by litters, you will be able to select sows next fall from big litters of growthy pigs.

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RATE OF GROWTH is coming to be recognized as an inherited characteristic. Fast-growing animals should be selected for breeding stock in both hogs and cattle.

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CRUSTS on plowed fields are thicker and harder than they used to be because the soil has lost humus, or organic matter. More grass and fewer acres of grain crops will make softer crusts after rains.

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LATE PLOWING of last year's sweet clover stands will put more nitrogen and organic matter in the soil than early plowing. But if you plow a foot-high stand of clover under in early May, you may have difficulty in getting the seed-bed in good shape. Poor stands of corn or beans can easily result.

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OAT FIELDS can be fertilized with nitrogen until the time when the oats are eight inches high. One advantage of the application after the oats are sowed is that nitrogen-deficient areas will be indicated by yellow-looking oats. There is some chance of wastage in these late applications, however. If you try it, aim to make applications just before a rain.

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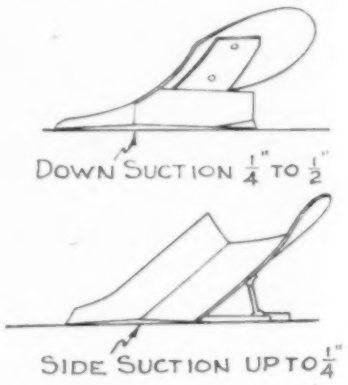
CHECK PLOW-SHARES for both down suction and side suction each time they are sharpened and replaced. Down suction should



be one-fourth to one-half inch, according to Iowa State College engineers. Side suction should be one-fourth inch. A rule or square will reveal at once whether the plow-shares are in proper shape as shown in the illustration.

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CORN LOANS can be secured until June 30. Purchase agreements on corn can be signed until June 30 also. For sealing, corn must have not to exceed 17.5 per cent moisture in April and 15.5 per cent in May. If you sign the purchase agreement, the corn must grade No. 3 or better when you offer it to the government in September. You get the loan price, which averages about $1.36 in Iowa under either method.

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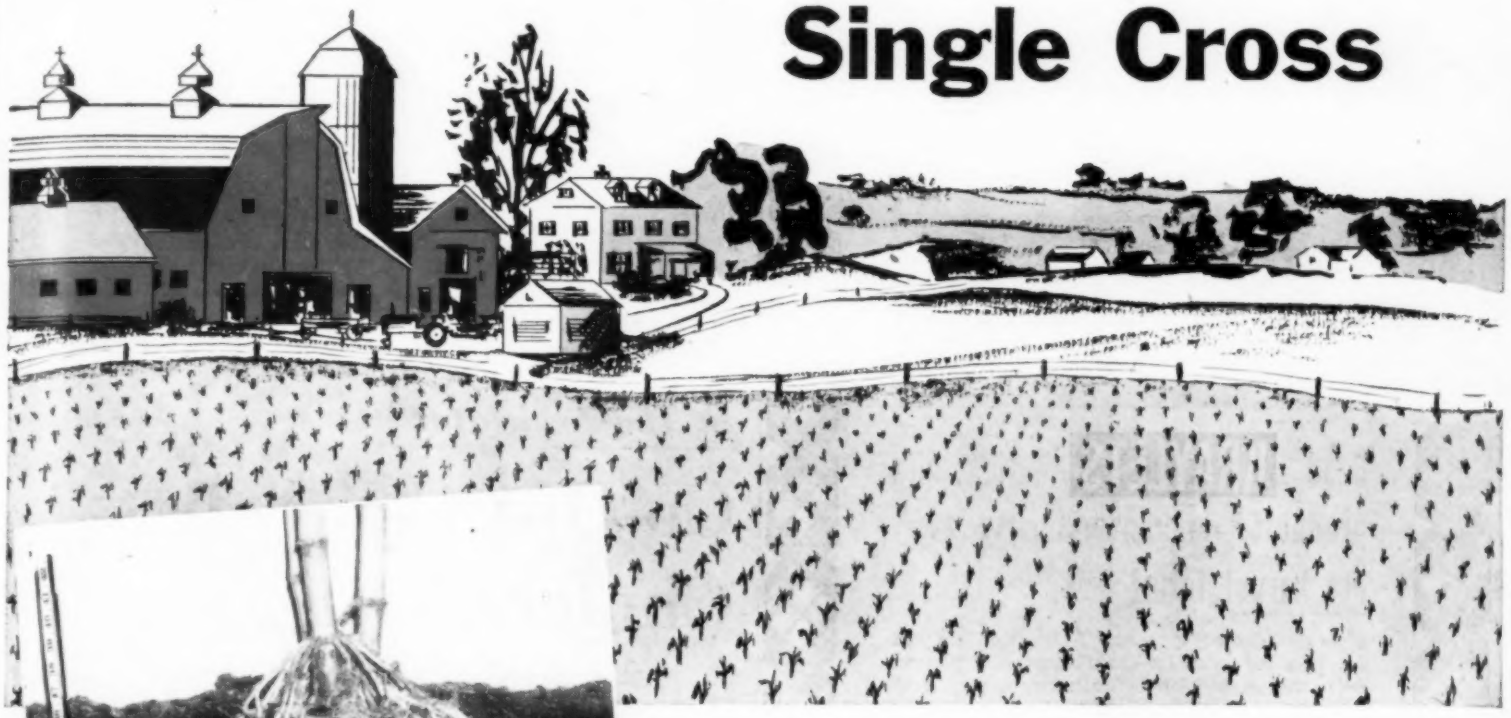

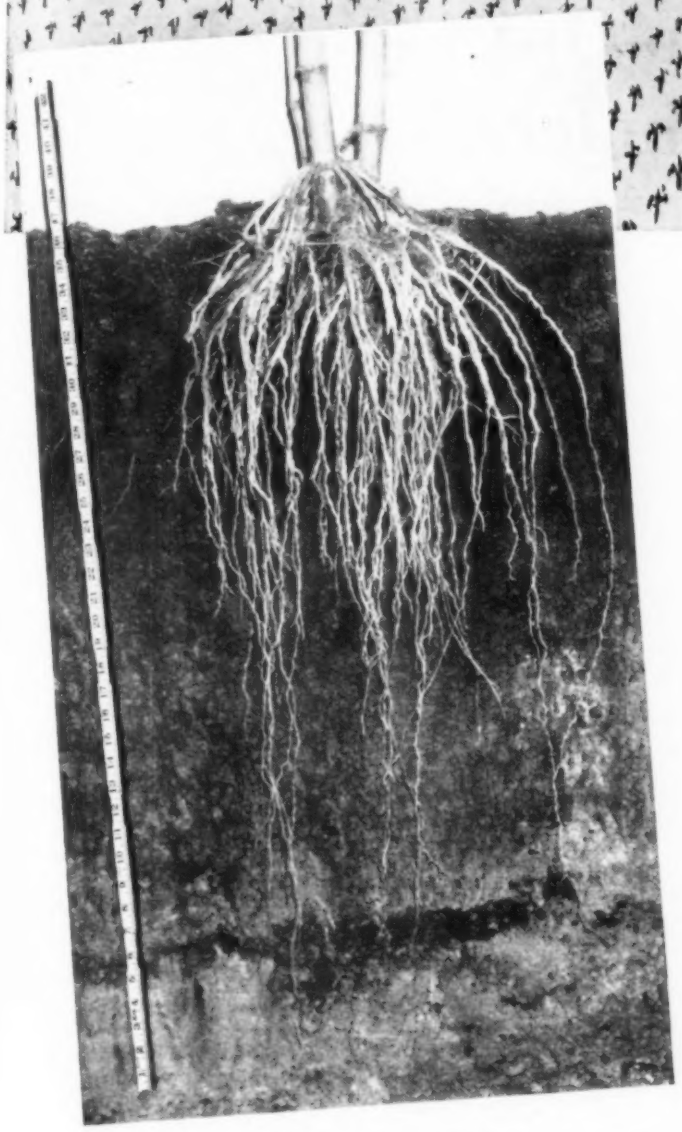

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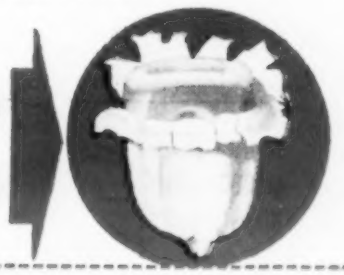

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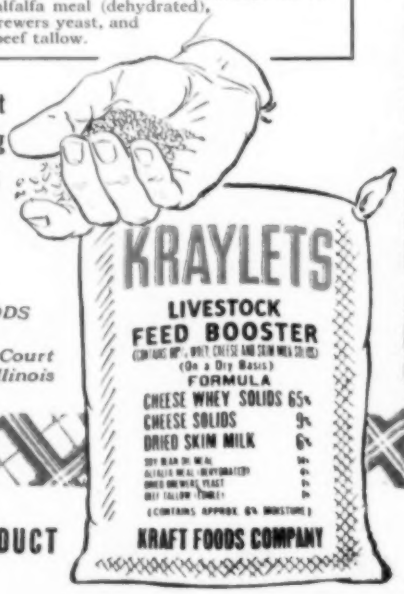

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In The Legislature

Co-Ops Can Sell Cholera Virus

Vote Not Close On Farm Bureau-Sponsored Bill, But Tax Argument Gets Into Debate

THE Iowa legislature, by one-sided votes in both houses, restored to the service companies of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation their right to sell hog cholera serum and virus.

The senate passed the bill, 40 to 1. The house previously passed it, 92 to 11, after rejecting, 26 to 76, an amendment to bar Farm Bureau companies from county aid if they engage in business.

Senator J. Kendall Lynes (Rep., Bremer county) presented the bill while wearing the Farm Bureau green tie. He said the measure is the result of a supreme court ruling that only pharmacists can sell serum and virus.

When it appeared that there would be no debate, Senator Fred Maytag (Rep., Jasper county) arose to sound a warning that the bill bears on the "danger that lies in the fact that cooperatives are given special treatment under the tax laws."

Maytag said he wasn't going to vote against the bill. He said that "denying the Farm Bureau the right to sell serum is as futile as trying to hurt an elephant by pulling off a toenail."

Senators A. E. Augustine (Dem., Mahasaka county), Harry E. Watson (Rep., O'Brien county) and Raymond Gillespie (Dem., Adair county) defended the Farm Bureau and cooperatives.

The first legislative program completed was the one on flood control, suggested by the interim flood control committee.

The flood control bills create a natural resources council of seven, appointed by the governor, to take dominant control of conservation of water resources and flood control.

Other bills in the program rewrite and liberalize the drainage laws, provide for elimination of stream pollution in two years, and increase the membership of the State Soil Conservation committee from five to seven by putting five instead of three farmers on it.

The Iowa Association of Soil Conservation District Commissioners took a hand in the passage of one flood control bill. It sponsored an amendment, presented by Senator Earl C. Fishbaugh, Jr. (Rep., Page county) and approved by both houses.

The amendment, to a bill permitting organization of special assessment districts for drainage, soil conservation and flood control under the drainage laws, authorizes boards of supervisors to create, in coal mining areas, districts in which strip coal miners are required to replace the top soil.

Well on their way toward completion were two other major programs: State aid for schools, and a new 20-year road improvement plan (see page 22).

Both houses have approved a boost in general aid from the present $7,375,000 to $12,000,000 a year.

This gives local districts a state payment of 17 instead of 11 cents a day for each grade school pupil, 20 instead of 14 cents per high school pupil, and sets up a new payment of 25 cents a day for each junior college pupil.

Both houses also approved an increase from two to five million dollars a year in the agricultural land credits fund. This is the money used to make refunds to farmers who pay school taxes at a rate of more than 15 mills.

Three other school bills were headed toward final approval. One increases supplemental state aid to poorer districts from $1,000,000 to $4,250,000 a year. Another raises state payments for pupil transportation from $2,000,000 to $3,500,000 a year. The third provides some $750,000 a year in miscellaneous aid to schools.

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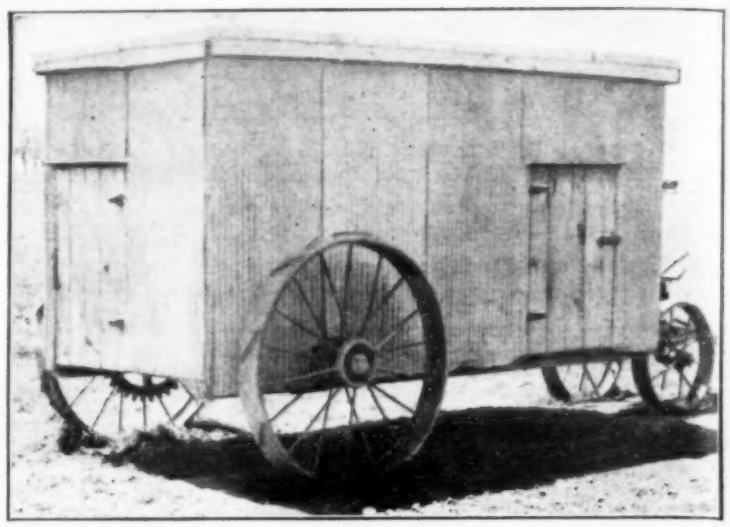

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Test Your Sows For Higher Profits

Pigs That Are Biggest At Weaning Time Also Will Reach Market Weights First

KEEP one eye on the pig when picking gilts for next year's litters—and the other eye on the scales.

Brood sow production testing is just in its infancy. Yet, Damon Catron, Iowa State College hog specialist, believes it can offer more experimental evidence to back it up as a measuring stick for selecting hog breeding stock than any other method used to date.

Successful dairymen long have used production records to cull cows and pick herd sires. And dairy herd improvement records prove that it pays off.

Poultrymen have used trapnesting and close culling to chalk up remarkable success in boosting the general average number of eggs laid per hen over the last 15 years.

There are similar opportunities ahead for the hog raiser who uses "pounds of pork produced per sow." Here are four facts for hog producers to think about:

1. There is a direct relationship between what a pig weighs at weaning time and what he will weigh when he reaches six months of age.

2. As long as you do not get more than about 13 pigs per sow, an increase in the size of litter does not cut weight per pig at weaning.

3. You need less feed and overhead costs to produce 100 pounds of marketable pork with large litters.

4. Gilts out of efficient-producing sows inherit the capacity to become heavy milkers and good mothers.

Many agricultural colleges have tests to back up the direct relationship between size of pig at weaning on the one hand and gain per day after weaning and weight at six months on the other hand.

For example, the Missouri experiment station found that a group of pigs which averaged 27.2 pounds at weaning time weighed 203 pounds at six months of age. It took them 200 days to get to 225 pounds.

Another group, handled exactly the same way as the first bunch, averaged 37 pounds at weaning time, yet they weighed 218 pounds at six months of age. And they reached a weight of 225 pounds in 181 days.

Size of pigs at weaning reflects both the capacity of the pig to grow and the ability of the sow to produce a liberal supply of milk. Both are inherited, tests show.

Production testing is not hard, Catron points out. Just follow these easy steps:

Identify every pig by a standard ear-marking system.

Keep a record of the number of pigs farrowed and weaned from each sow. Weigh all pigs from each sow at 56 days of age.

Keep for breeding only the gilts from the largest and heaviest litters.

Buy boars from a breeder who tests for production, too.

Catron believes this production test system will soon select the best mothers in your sow herd. They are the ones which raise the most pigs and the heaviest litters.

This system will tend to weed out sows that lose large litters of pigs soon after farrowing, or that farrow too many runts. It will tend to build up a herd of fast-gaining hogs—something you can't judge with the eye.

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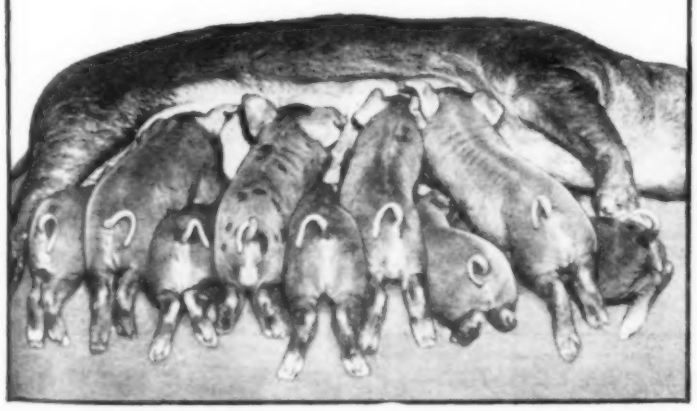

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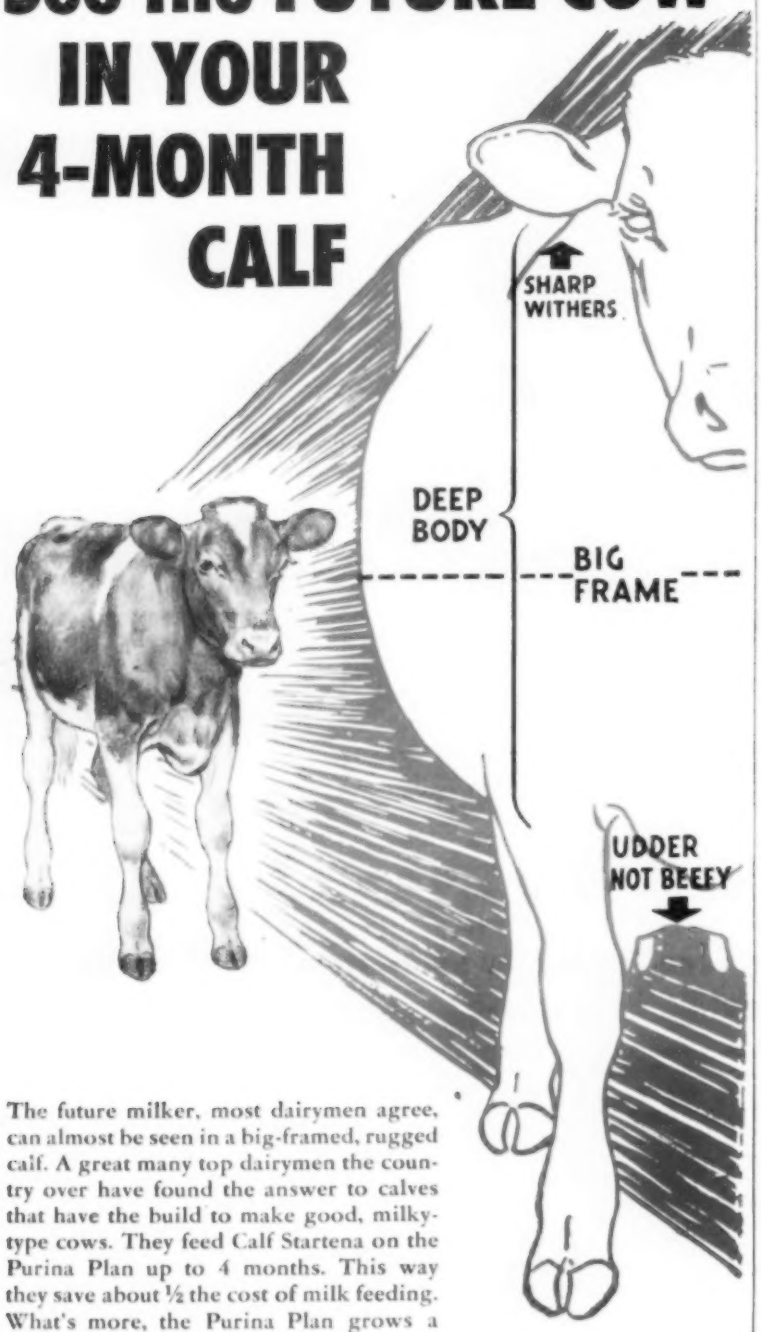

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More Skill Needed As Prices Drop

Keep Closer Watch On Expenses If You Want To Make Money On The Downgrade

It isn't easy to make money on a declining price level. Francis A. Kutish, Iowa State College farm economist, lists some things to think about as we face a shift to lower farm prices.

FOR nearly 10 years, we have been riding a rising price level. Farm profits come fairly easy when prices are going up. About all you have to do is get volume—lots of output. You don't have to watch costs too closely. If your output is large, your income will rise faster than your costs—which usually lag in times of rising prices.

Just the opposite is true when prices are falling. Then the premium is on keeping down costs. Prices of things you sell fall faster than expenses. It still is important to have as big an output as possible—if you keep costs in check.

Keeping expenses down is not easy. But there are some spots where you can trim them. You can be sure to invest in new machinery that cuts costs or raises output—not just boosts your overhead. You can make sure you are using the right kind of fertilizer. And as much as, but no more than is profitable.

Artificial insemination may be cheaper than keeping a bull. Less hired labor may be employed. Using your tractor less will hold down tractor fuel and repair bills.

Careful planning becomes more important, too. Some parts of the farming business are more uncertain than others. In times like these, enterprises with the fastest turnover of money carry the least risk. In general, however, it pays to concentrate on the things at which you have the highest skill.

Crops have a fast turnover in capital. There is no capital loss involved. You can get back all your operating expenses within a few months. Price supports are favorable to crops. But weather risks become larger when we have a large crop carry-over. A short crop doesn't produce the off-setting price rise then.

Dairying is a low-risk enterprise for a man already in business. Money comes in regularly—it isn't like feeding cattle, where the sale is made all in one shot several months or a year later. Besides, much of the price decline already has come in dairy prices. There is the risk of a capital loss in the value of the cows, however.

Poultry has a low capital risk to the extent that you use equipment and housing you already have. Sales are made regularly with poultry, too. But the poultry outlook isn't as favorable as dairy—the government has been supporting egg prices much of the time in recent years. So go slow on expanding your poultry business.

Hogs have a somewhat higher risk. Hog income doesn't come in as regularly as from dairy and poultry. There is risk of capital loss on breeding stock—altho not as great as with dairy or beef cows.

But hogs rank high in turning corn efficiently into meat. So they have a high place on the list for the man who is a skilfull hog man.

Cattle feeding ranks highest in risk. Feeding cattle ties up a lot of money. That is risky when prices are falling.

Here is the commodity outlook in a nutshell:

HOG prices probably have passed their spring peak. Spring price rise wasn't very high—so, as long as business holds up, there probably won't be too sharp a spring drop.

CATTLE price spreads between fat cattle and feeders are very narrow. Buying cattle to grain-feed on grass looks better than to just "summer" on grass.

LAMBS are selling very high. Push early lambs to take advantage of these high prices.

DAIRY prices are protected by government price support for butter and dried non-fat solids.

EGG prices have been supported since January. This should hold eggs near present levels. Supports will be lower next year. It is almost too late now to buy chicks if you want to cash in on the peak prices for big eggs next October and November.

GRAIN prices will depend mainly on how weather affects new crop prospects.

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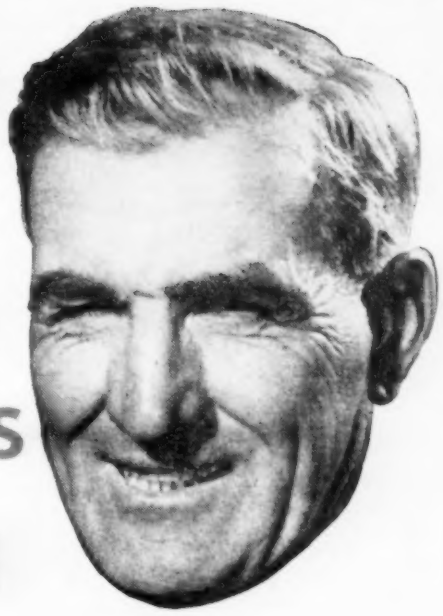
MIDWEST FARMERS:

Here's how to increase your yields and realize more profits



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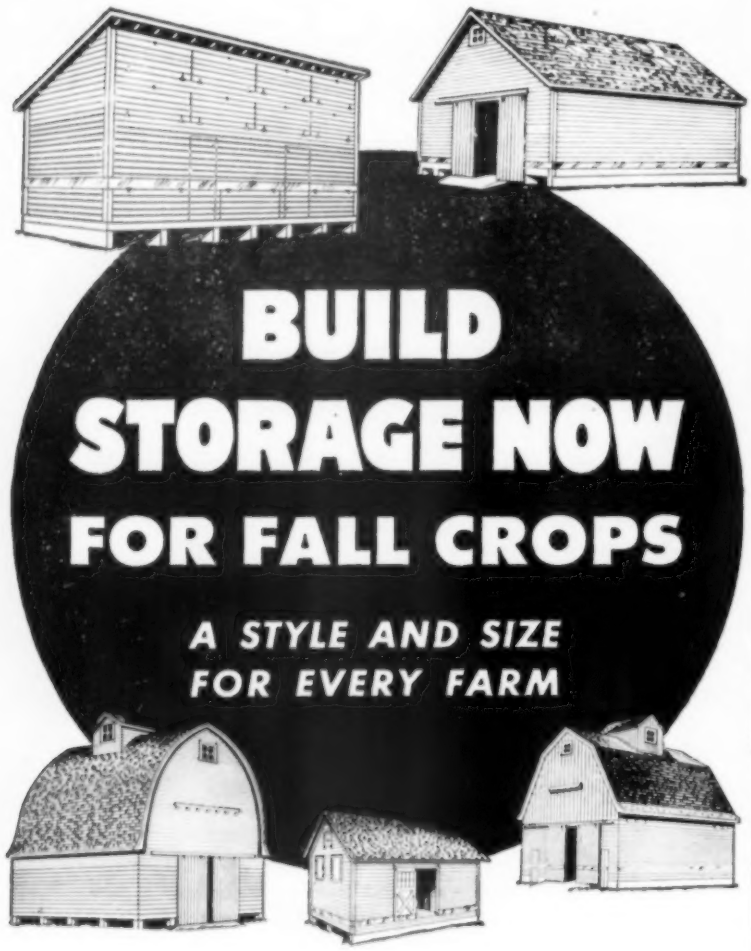

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First Aid for Stock

Blackleg Germs Live In Soil

To the Editor: We plan to run our cattle on some land where several cattle died last year of blackleg. Do blackleg germs live in the soil? Should we vaccinate before turning our cattle in?—G. H., Emmet County, Iowa.

Blackleg germs may have been in the soil of the land where the cattle died last year. The germs can live in the soil for years.

So it would be wise to vaccinate all cattle over four to six months of age and under two years before you turn them out.

What Treatment For White Scours?

To the Editor: We are anxious to get some information on white scours in calves—the treatment, prevention, etc.—R. A., Hardin County, Iowa.

There is no one treatment for so-called "white scours." This seems to be the term all stockmen apply to all the scours of infant animals.

True white scours is caused by infection of the mother with the brucella germ. While she does not abort, the calf is so weakened in gestation that it can't stand the rigors of outside life. It soon starts to scour, may get pneumonia, then dies.

White scours is sometimes controlled by the use of an anti-white scours serum on the infant calf. On other places, it is handled by a sanitation program: Prepare a clean, well-bedded maternity stall. Wash the cow's teats and udder. Let the calf get plenty of colostrum, or first milk.

Colostrum is highly important to the infant calf. It is 10 times richer than ordinary milk in Vitamins A and C. It is nature's protection against the virulent germs that cause indigestion and scours.

Each case therefore needs some individual study. Lack of colostrum, brucella germs, poor ration for the mother cow, poor sanitation—all could have some effect on the infant calf's infection.

Milk Is Thick And Clotted

To the Editor: My father has a cow that gives thick milk that will not run thru the separator strainer. What is the cause, and what can be done for it?—F. D., Shelby County, Iowa.

When milk is abnormally thick or clotted as it comes from the udder, it usually means the cow suffers from inflammation of the udder, or mastitis.

There are many causes for this condition. It can be from a bruise, or chill, or an overfeeding on rich foods. When the udder has low vitality from any of these causes, it can not resist infectious germs. When these germs grow in the milk cistern, the result is this abnormal milk.

Treatment varies according to the inflammation. It is usually best to call in an experienced veterinarian. Some cases are cured by injecting penicillin into the milk cistern. Others respond better to some of the sulfa drugs.

Other cases are cleared up by injecting penicillin into the udder and giving the cow sulfa by the mouth.

Do not handle this udder and then move on to a healthy cow without first washing your hands thoroly. This disease can be spread by hands or by the teat cups of a milking machine. It can also spread thru milk spilled on the barn floor.

Does Spaying Give Heifers Setback?

To the Editor: Does spaying have any ill-effects on a heifer immediately after the operation? Can any veterinarian do this job?—G. M., Cedar County, Nebraska.

Any veterinarian who has had a good course in surgery is competent to spay heifers.

Heifers seem to suffer but little shock or after-effect when this operation is done by a good veterinarian. Cattle are able to stand opening of the belly cavity quite well.

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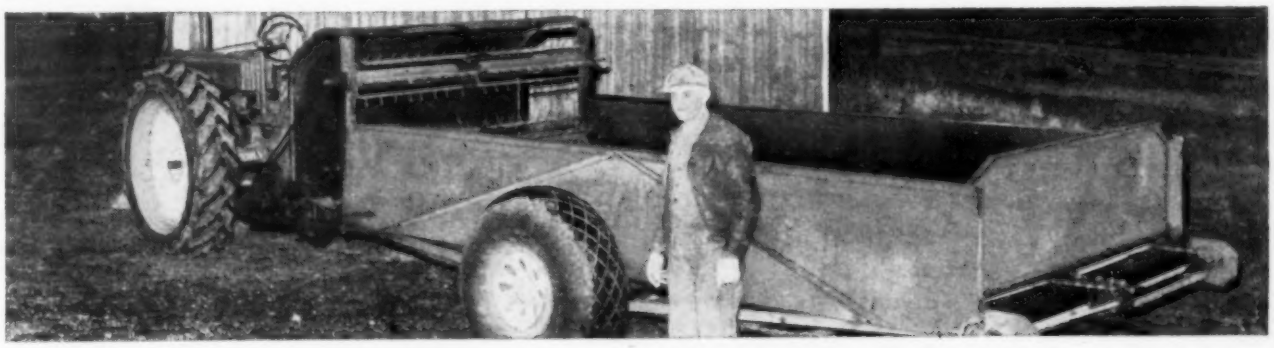
FARM NEWS-GRAPHIC

A picture review of successful farming brought to you by the Standard Oil Company

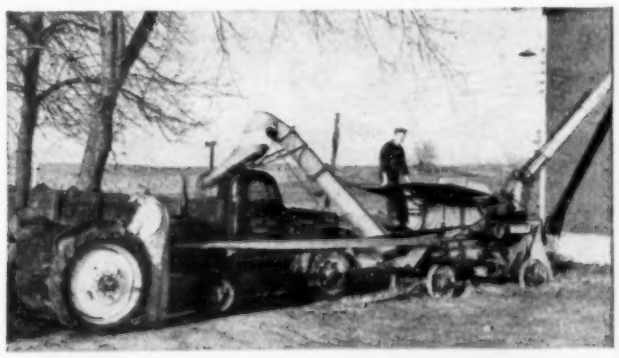
Top money is nothing new to Leon Frantz of Grand Junction, Iowa—shown here with two of his Hampshire sows. In the last 2 years, Leon sold 2 Hampshire boar pigs for the highest prices in the U.S.A. Leon knows that quality pays. He uses Permalube Motor Oil in his tractor, says he's impressed by how Permalube protects his engine and keeps it clean at the same time.

The herd that gypsum built. Marion Tippetts and "helpers", Big Horn County, Wyoming, with Herefords "wintered" last year on a field reclaimed from wasteland by use of gypsum from nearby hills. 22 acres were leveled and treated. On the very poor spots, 50 tons of gypsum per acre were used. The average was 10 tons. Thus land formerly considered worthless now yields a profitable harvest to its resourceful owner. Marion runs his truck and tractor on Red Crown Gasoline. "I get less oil dilution with Red Crown," he says, "and it's packed with power!"



From an Army B-29 came the tires for this 18-foot-long mint wagon. They carry low pressure, which allows a larger tire area to contact the ground. This prevents the wheels from making ruts as John Laidig, Mishawaka, Ind., harvests his 100 acres of mint. John pulls the wagon with a tractor using Red Crown Gasoline and Permalube Motor Oil. He likes Red Crown's easy starting, says Permalube prevents breakdowns.

Star farmer of America, nineteen year old Kenneth Le Wayne Cheatham, of Smithboro, Illinois, received his Future Farmers of America honor at the Kansas City convention last November. Since 1943 Kenneth has netted over $9,000 in rural youth programs. He now farms 257 acres, and in 1948 had 38 hogs and 27 dairy cattle. Discussing proper operating adjustments of his new tractor, he is shown with D. C. Carnes, Standard Oil Automotive Engineer.



Father and son. Fred and Harold Abey, of Evansville, Wisconsin, win prizes with purebred Holstein dairy cattle and Duroc-Jersey pigs. Here, they handle corn with a tractor-powered husker-and-shredder. Fred says, "We know from experience that Permalube Motor Oil is just right for tractors. It's long-lasting, and it cuts our repair bills by helping to prevent breakdowns."

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Want Clear Water In Cistern?

Don't Cuss The Birds; Put In Cut-Out And Filters To Keep Dirt, Soot Away

To the Editor: Please tell me how to build a cistern filter to keep soot and other impurities out of the cistern.—F. H., Linn County, Iowa.

THERE are different ways to keep your cistern water clean. The method you choose will depend on what you use the water for, how clean you want it, and how much you are willing to spend.

A simple device that will keep a lot of soot and trash out is the washer cut-out. This is a by-pass valve in the down-spout which you can turn to send the first water from the roof into the waste spout.

All soot, dust, bird droppings, etc., run off with the first water. Then you turn the valve, and clean water goes into the filter and cistern.

You can get a washer cut-out from most plumbers or hardware dealers. It should be kept in the off position during dry spells—then the dirty first water will always go into the waste spout.

Most common way to keep cistern water clean is the sand filter. This usually is a concrete box three feet square and three feet deep. The drawing shows the general construction.

A drain is set in the bottom and is screened over with a cap of very fine copper wire. Above this is a six-inch layer of sand, then a six-inch layer of coarse charcoal.

On top of the charcoal is about 18 inches of clean, fine sand. A few inches of coarse sand or gravel will help keep the fine sand from washing. You will probably need to keep extra sand around. The top couple of inches should be removed after a heavy rain, and new, clean sand added.

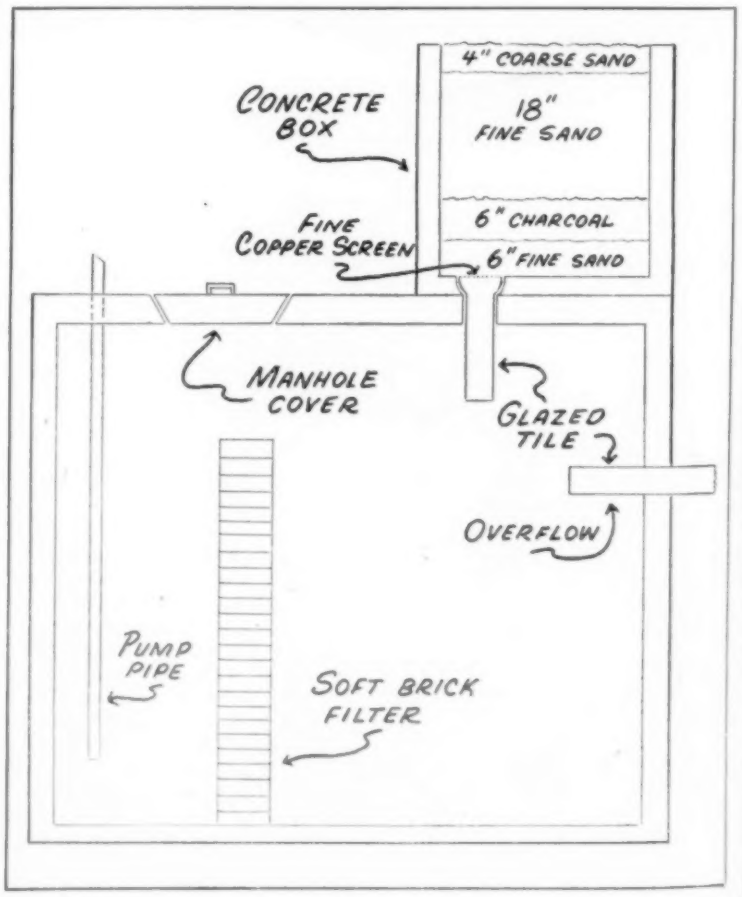
If you want clear, pure rain-water with no color or taste, you should build a soft brick filter in the cistern. This is in addition to the washer cut-out and the sand and charcoal filter.

The brick filter consists of a wall across the cistern to a height slightly above the overflow. Select good bricks, and cement the joints carefully with rich mortar.

The water is fed into the larger compartment from the sand filter. Then it filters thru the soft brick wall into the delivery or pumping side.

Some plans show a small beehive shaped closed chamber in the bottom of the cistern as a pumping chamber. This should be avoided, since silt will collect slowly inside the chamber. And you won't be able to clean it out.

Be sure to build your cistern and brick wall so you can get inside both chambers and clean them. Only then can you have clear, pure rain-water over a long period of years.



Engineer's drawing shows layout of sand-box and soft brick filters. You could save work and avoid possible contamination by using a different manhole. Raise the edge of platform around hole. Then put a flat cover on the raised edge. It will keep dirt, surface water out and will be easier to build than a beveled and fitted cover.

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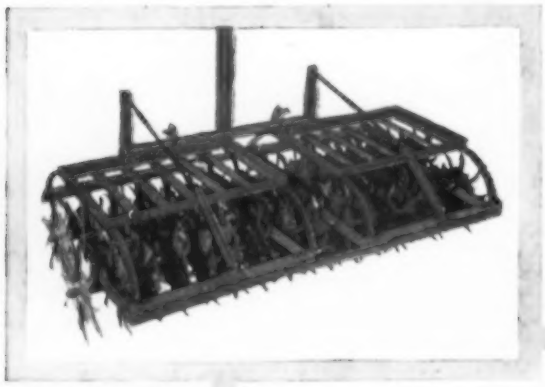

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When Will You Get Out Of Mud?

Legislature Adopts Program Designed To Finish Road Job Within 20 Years

THAT mud road of yours is going to be "rocked" or shaled—sometime within the next 20 years.

That's the promise implied in a new road-financing program set up by the Iowa legislature.

In case you're thinking, "So what? I may not live that long," the 20-year program may not be as bad as it sounds. It's true that it leaves a lot of country road problems still unsolved. But supporters of more state help for secondary roads agree it's a step in the right direction.

What the legislature has done about roads goes back to a plan worked out last year by a road study committee set up by the 1947 legislature.

This committee figured it would take 88 million dollars a year for 20 years to put all Iowa roads in good shape. About 33½ million of this would come from local property taxes and from the federal government. The rest—54½ million—would come out of the state treasury.

The 54½ million in state money, the committee said, should be divided like this: 48½ per cent for primary roads; 45 per cent for secondary roads; 6½ per cent for city streets.

But farmers, led by the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, said this wasn't a fair split. Secondary roads, they said, have been getting more than that—about 52 per cent.

What the 1949 legislature has done is to work out a compromise.

First, it set up a new fund—called the road use tax fund—into which it put the 40½ million dollars in state money now being spent on roads. Then it brought this fund up to the 54½ million asked by the road study committee—by transferring some sales tax and license fee money from the state general fund, and by raising license fees on cars, trucks and farm wagons and trailers.

Then the legislature said this fund should be divided like this: 50 per cent (about 27¼ million) to secondary roads; 42 per cent to primary roads; 8 per cent to city streets.

Next, the legislature decided to split the 50 per cent for country roads this way: 35 per cent to secondary roads that don't get federal aid, divided on an area basis (the bigger the county, the more money it gets); 15 per cent for secondary roads that do get federal aid (called farm-to-market roads), divided 9 per cent on an area basis, 6 per cent on a need basis.

All this boils down to a small increase in state aid for secondary roads—up from 21 million to 27¼ million. More important, it gives permanence to the idea that country roads should get their share of state road money.

But farmers still will be asking these road questions:

1. Shouldn't southern Iowa get more road help than northern Iowa? Southern Iowa farmers argue that rough land and a lack of materials nearby make road building much more expensive in their area. The legislature has decided this argument doesn't hold much water—except as to a very small part (6 per cent) of state funds.

2. Are road-building standards too high? Some farmers say more roads could be built if they weren't made quite so fancy. But the state highway commission has a lot to say about standards. Presumably, it will take a change of heart on the commission's part to cut road costs.

3. Are the right roads being worked on first? Many farmers complain that road building in some counties follows a rather haphazard plan—without too much regard for actual need. This is mostly a county problem. The Iowa Farm Bureau has suggested that committees of farmers should help boards of supervisors make up their road-building plans. But nothing has been done about setting up such committees—or about making supervisors take their advice.

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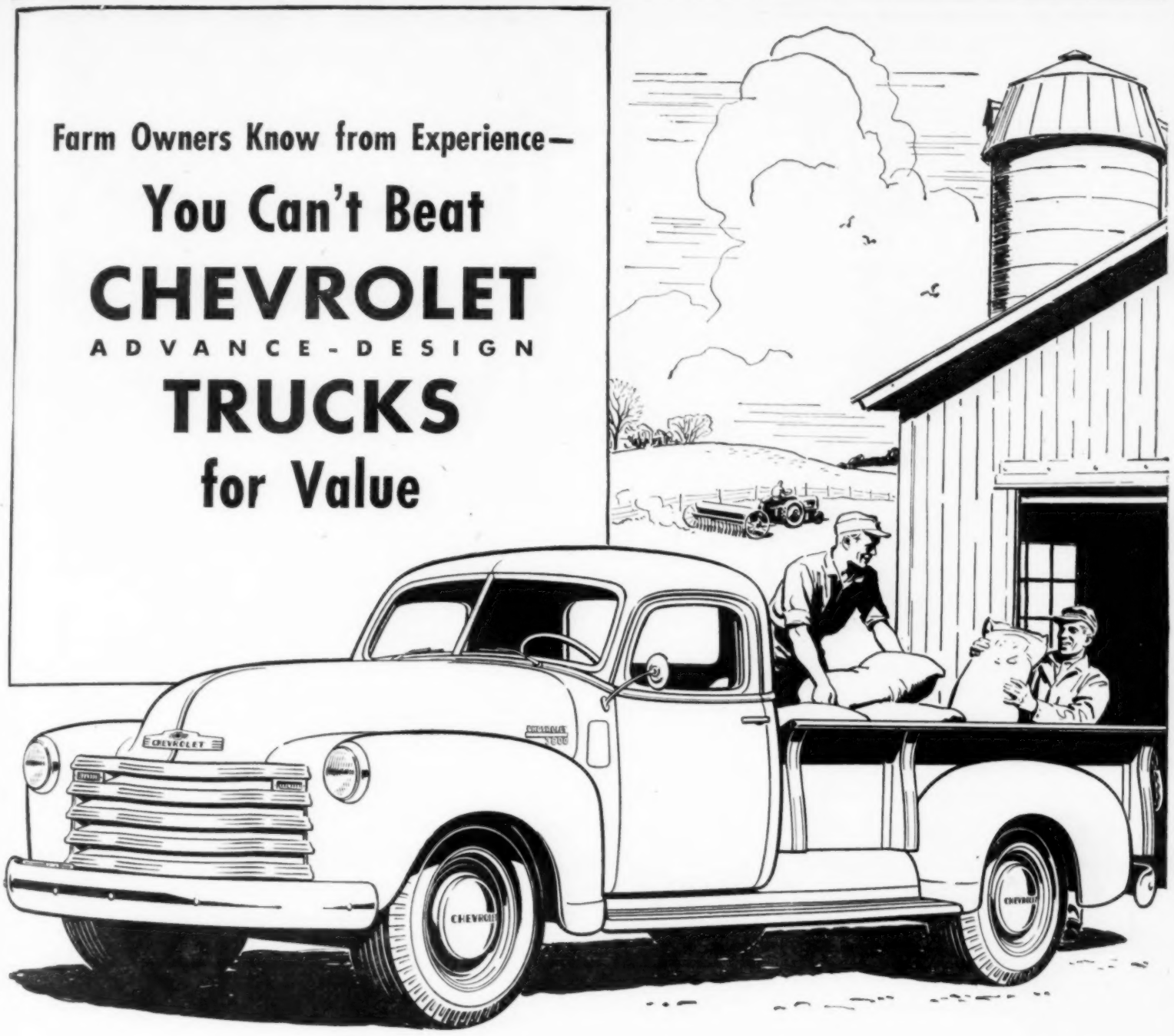

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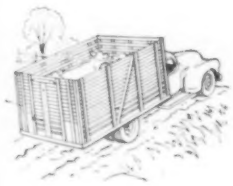

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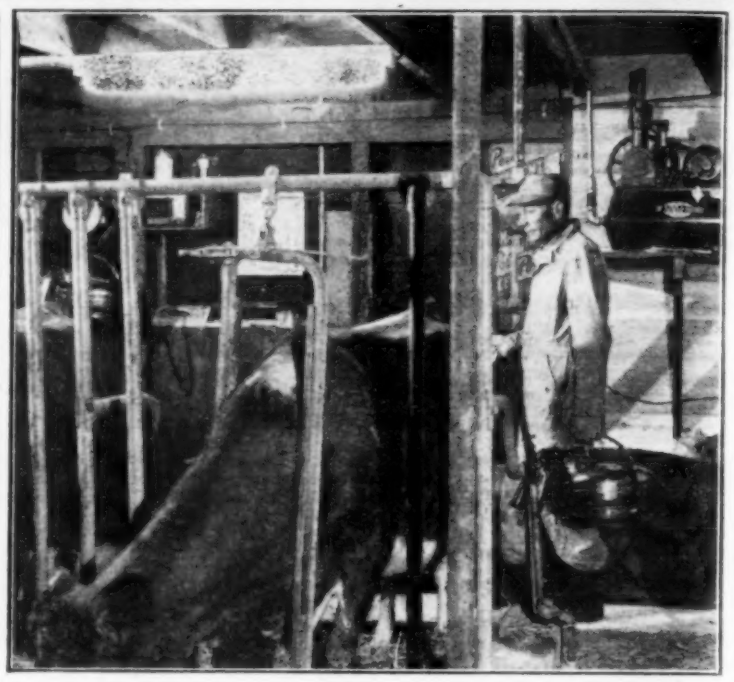


Fluorescent lights were added by Hans Barkema, Hamilton county, Iowa, when he remodeled his dairy barn. The job also included new insulation, storm doors, new stanchions for his 10 cows.

Vaccination Helps Stop Bang's

Little Progress Toward Control Is Being Made Thru Test-and-Slaughter Plan Alone

THE Bang's disease situation in Iowa is not a pretty picture. Here's just one instance:

Two herds of milk cows down one road have had to be sold out and a new start made, because of brucellosis. Farms don't join—but the same creek flows thru both.

A technician for an artificial breeding association in Iowa estimated a year or so ago that one-fourth of the herds he worked with were infected.

Says an official of one national group: "Bang's is the Number One disease of cattle and hogs and goats in this country, and is a serious menace to humans."

What can the individual livestock man do about Bang's?

Iowa has had the test-and-slaughter plan in force for several years — with indemnity payments for reactors. But test-and-slaughter alone just isn't getting the job done.

Iowa has many more cattle than a lot of other states. And more than 1,500,000 head are shipped into the state each year, mostly to feed-lots. Says Dr. H. U. Garrett, state veterinarian: "Eradication is impossible when so many are passing thru."

Experts now generally agree that calfhood vaccination is the way out. In Iowa, you can sign up with the state department of agriculture for calf vaccination, either with or without herd testing. You pay for vaccination—but not for the testing, if you choose that, too.

What is the advantage of signing up just for vaccination? Why not do it on your own, as long as you pay the vet anyway?

For one thing, by signing up you get the privilege of selling "official vaccinates" for out-of-state shipment, with no retest required for 38 months. Official status is given your vaccination program, at no extra cost.

Also, you can start with vaccination only and change over to a test-and-slaughter plan any time you like.

Of course, present vaccine has one weakness: Some heifers never clear up following vaccination. Their blood continues to show a positive reaction to the agglutination test. Attempts to solve this problem are being made, but new vaccines and new tests are not yet generally available.

Even so, here are some of the things you can expect from a program of calfhood vaccination:

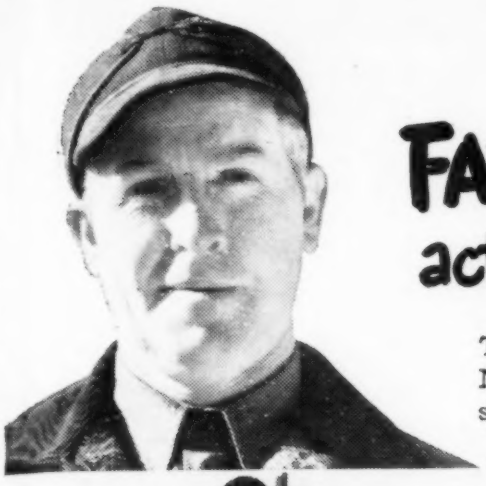
Heifers should receive resistance (not immunity) to brucellosis for a period of about three years. A heifer might even develop immunity against light exposure for life.

Calfhood vaccination has never been known to cause brucellosis or breeding trouble in an animal. Strain 19 vaccine is a weak form of brucellosis, to be sure. But an animal vaccinated with it can withstand an attack of the real thing—if she isn't exposed to too "hot" an infection.

Even with vaccination, good herd management still is needed. Watch for signs of premature calving. Keep an aborting cow away from the herd. Destroy the fetus and disinfect the premises.

Testing still has its place along with vaccination. For one thing, Iowa requires pre-testing of calves—to show they are already clean—before they can be called "official vaccinates." And it is wise to test cows that abort, and discard them if they show a positive reaction. It's smart, too, to insist on tests for all cows you buy.

Then, eventually, as older cows are disposed of, your entire herd will consist of official vaccinates.



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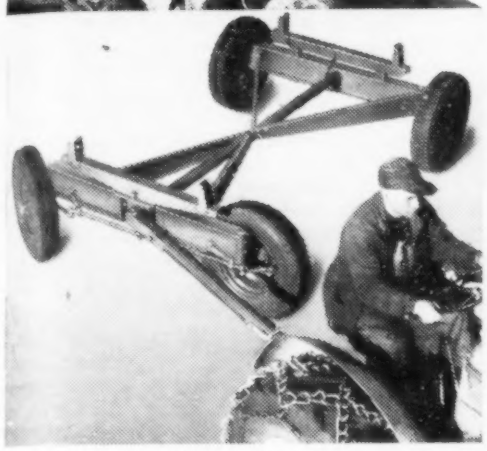

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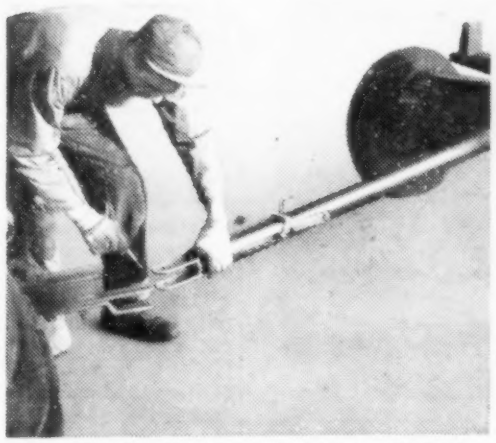

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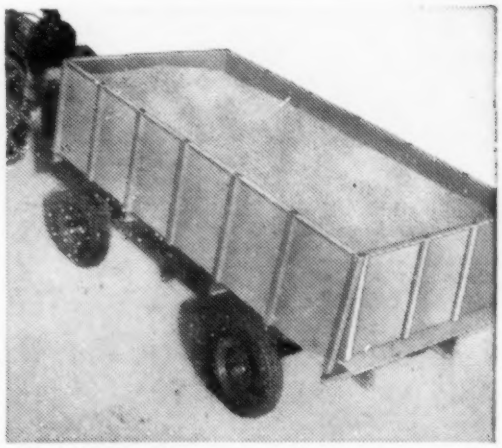

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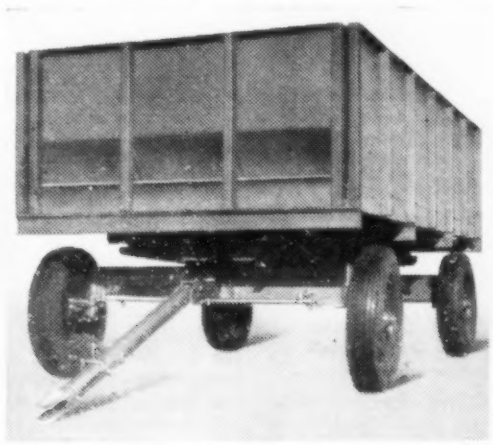

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Brannan Proposes Compensatory Payment Plan To Aid Both Livestock Producers, Consumers

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The administration's ideas on farm price supports, finally presented to congress this month by Agriculture Secretary Brannan, would make these major changes in the present support system:

● Use a recent, and gradually advancing, 10-year period as a base in figuring support levels.

● Support prices of non-storable products thru direct payments to farmers instead of thru government buying.

● Base supports on an over-all farm income guarantee, instead of on parity prices for individual products.

This last idea — compensatory payments—is designed to encourage a greater output of livestock products, Brannan said. It would be used to support prices of hogs, beef cattle, lambs, milk and butterfat, poultry and eggs, and some fruits and vegetables.

Market prices of these products would be permitted to seek their own level. This, said Brannan, would give consumers bigger supplies at lower prices.

Then the government would pay farmers the difference between market price and support price in the form of a direct—or compensatory—payment.

But storable commodities—cotton, wheat, corn, other grains, tobacco, oil-seeds, dry beans and peas, wool and peanuts—would be supported by the present method of loans and purchase agreements.

Brannan's program, if approved by congress, would start in 1950, replacing the Aiken flexible support law, due to go into effect then. But the secretary asked that compensatory payments on milk and hogs be authorized immediately for use this year.

Brannan expects hog prices to drop to or below present support levels by early fall. And he dislikes the idea of the government having to buy huge supplies of pork and butter to support milk and hog prices. Compensatory payments, he figures, would make the job far easier.

The Brannan program would do away with the present system of parity prices. Instead, it would set up a farm income support system based on farm purchasing power during a recent 10-year period.

Base period for 1950 would be the 10 years from 1939 thru 1948. After 1950, the base would shift forward a year at a time, so that it always would be the 10 years ending two years previously.

In figuring support prices, Brannan would start with what he calls an "income support standard." This is the amount of cash income agriculture as a whole would be guaranteed.

This guaranteed income then would be divided among farm products on the basis of their average returns during the 10-year base period, to get support prices for individual products.

How would support prices under the Brannan plan compare with present parity levels? In general, supports on corn, wheat and cotton would be about 90 per cent of present parity. But livestock and livestock products would rate higher supports — about the same as full parity, as it's now figured.

For example, 1950 price supports —if set now—would be $1.46 per bushel for corn, $19 per hundred on hogs. Under the Aiken plan, which will go into effect next year unless congress makes some changes, the support price for corn would be $1.35 per bushel, and, for hogs, $16.60 per hundred.

Here are comparisons for other products between Brannan and Aiken support figures, in that order: Wheat, $1.88 and $1.85 per bushel; milk, $4.22 and $3.70 per hundred; butterfat, 66.9 and 54.4 cents per pound; beef cattle, $16.90 and $14.80 per hundred; lambs, $18.40 and $16 per hundred; eggs, 45.8 and 45.3 cents per dozen; chickens, 29 and 25.2 cents per pound; soybeans, $2.54 and $2.21 per bushel; oats, $2.5 and 84 cents per bushel.

Another new feature of the Brannan proposal is that it would be based on "support units." To discourage "industrialized" farming, no farmer would be eligible for price supports on more than 1,800 units.

One support unit would be 10 bushels of corn, 7.77 bushels of wheat, 76 pounds of hogs, 346 pounds of milk, 21.82 pounds of butterfat, 31.88 dozen eggs, 5.73 bushels of soybeans, 50.34 pounds of chickens, 17.7 bushels of oats, 86 pounds of beef cattle, etc.

Also, a farmer wouldn't get the benefits of price supports unless he participated in all other government programs for his crops and carried out a program of "reasonable conservation practices."

What about acreage allotments and marketing quotas? Under the Brannan plan, these would be continued on storable commodities such as corn, other feed grains, wheat, cotton, tobacco, rice, peanuts. They might also be used for soybeans, flaxseed, fruits and vegetables.

Brannan said the time may come when controls might be needed even on meat animals, dairy products, poultry and eggs. But, he said, "the need for improving the diets of consumers and for encouraging conservation farming would not so dictate at this time."

Is the United States headed for a depression? Official Washing-

Brannan outlines new administration farm price support plan to senate agriculture committee chairman Elmer Thomas (left).

ion is busy with many issues, but the big question in its mind is the business future.

Many officials believe that postwar inflation has come to an end and that deflation—whether great or small—has set in. They base their view on such developments as a downturn in some prices, particularly farm; an increase in unemployment; a decline in store sales; cuts in prices of some autos, and action of the Federal Reserve Board in reducing margin requirements on purchase of securities.

But President Truman still wants congress to go ahead and pass his anti-inflation program. That program would give him power to set ceilings on prices and wages. It also would boost federal income taxes.

Democratic leaders in congress lean to the view that inflation has passed, and that the job ahead is to prevent a recession. They have laid the president's program aside, at least for the time being.

This lack of agreement as to how the economic winds are blowing is holding up action on a very important bit of farm legislation. That is the administration's request for greater authority to provide grain storage facilities.

This request was put before congress as a part of the anti-inflation program. It has bogged down with the rest of that program.

Yet the time is getting very short for doing anything about a storage situation that could play havoc with the farm price support program if big crops are produced again.

Secretary Brannan declines to outline what kind of a storage program he has in mind until congress acts. As a consequence, farmers are left up in the air. They don't know whether to go ahead and build additional storage themselves, or wait until the government speaks.

It appears that the oleomargarine forces will win their fight in congress to get oleo taxes repealed. The house of representatives already has passed a repeal bill and the senate is expected to act in the near future. But quite a big debate will be stirred up in the senate.

The administration is pushing the repeal bill. The agriculture department has not officially expressed itself on this issue. But O. E. Reed, chief of the department's dairy industry, told a house appropriations sub-committee he did not believe it a good thing for the country.

"I am of the opinion," he said, "that if you carry out this substitution program (oleomargarine for butter), it is not only going to have an effect upon dairymen, but it is going to have a tremendous effect upon the soil."

The agriculture department has announced levels at which it will support hog prices for a period ending September 30. The support rates are aimed to reflect 90 per cent of parity, but they vary from week to week, according to usual seasonal variations in marketing.

The rates—on a Chicago basis—range from $16.25 for 100 pounds in May, when marketings are seasonally heavy, to $18.50 in September, when marketings are seasonally small. The rates for the period ahead include:

April 17-May 14, $16.50; May 15-June 11, $16.25; June 12-18, $16.50; June 19-25, $16.75; June 26-July 2, $17; July 3-9, $17.25; July 10-16, $17.50; July 17-23, $17.75; July 24-30, $18; July 31-August 27, $18.25; August 28-September 24, $18.50, and September 25-30, $18.25.

The problem of possible farm surpluses appears to be drawing near. And the government is taking notice of it.

It has warned poultry farmers of an oversupply of chickens this summer. Expansion in the broiler industry is too great, it says, adding a warning that there will be no price support this year.

It also has appealed to flaxseed farmers not to carry out planting plans indicated by the department's recent planting survey. That survey indicated the flax acreage would be more than 50 per cent above the government goal.

"Production in excess of the suggested goal," the department said, "might cause both marketing and storage difficulties."

Officials hoped that department announcement of a flaxseed price support of $3.90 a bushel, Minneapolis basis, compared with $6 last year, would discourage some flax growers. But there was a danger of a shift to spring wheat at a time when a wheat surplus appears to be very probable.

In fact, officials are drafting plans to hold a grower referendum by July 25 on a proposal to invoke marketing quotas on the 1950 crop of wheat.

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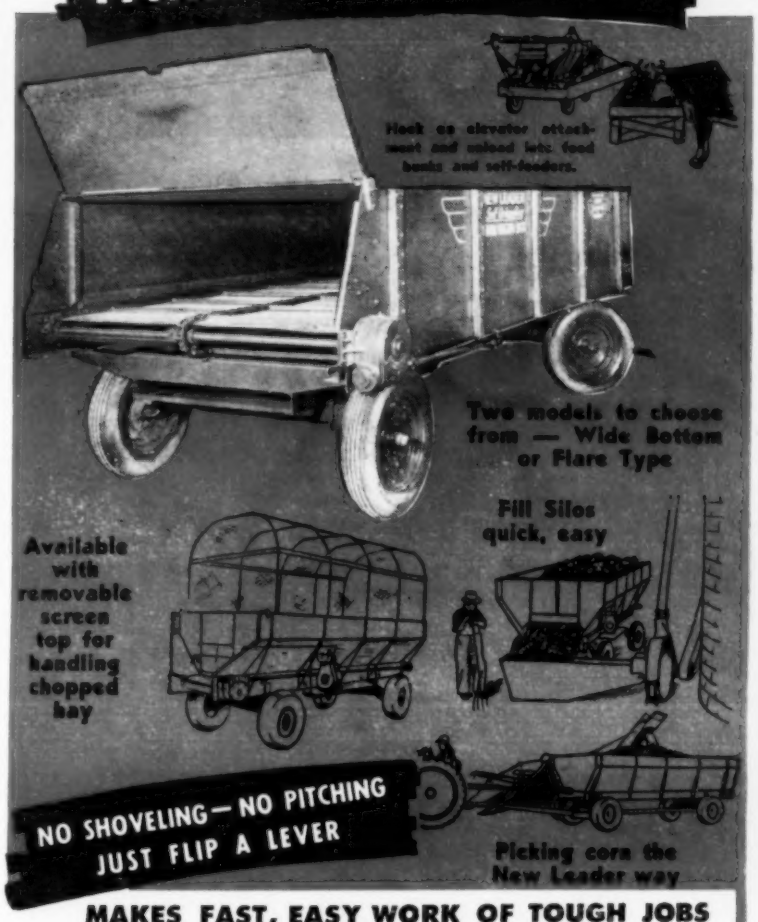

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Hog Men Hear Why Pigs Get Runty

Carcass Grading Has Advantages, Farmers Are Told At Illinois Swine Feeders Day

PIG RAISERS' problems were discussed from several angles at the Illinois Swine Feeders Day, on April 7. The speakers began with how to raise the pigs and ended with marketing methods and a discussion of price supports.

J. L. Krider told the hog raisers that alfalfa-brome grass pasture is fully as good as pure alfalfa the first year of pasturing. S. W. Terrill pointed out why alfalfa is such a good pig feed.

"Pigs become runty unless they get 1.4 pounds of riboflavin for each 100 pounds of feed," said Terrill. "They have abnormal feet, legs and hocks, sometimes walk with a goose-step, and have rough coats.

"You can provide enough riboflavin by feeding the pigs 10 per cent of alfalfa meal in the ration," Terrill noted. "Or the pigs will get enough of it if they have good pasture."

Riboflavin, which is one of the B vitamins, can also be secured in sufficient amount from a ration containing 4 per cent distillers' solubles plus 4 per cent fish solubles. Or, 4 per cent distillers' solubles plus 6 per cent alfalfa meal.

G. W. Sherritt, reporting on creep-feeding, recommended the method under these conditions: (1) When many sows and litters are running together; (2) when sows are fed a poor ration while nursing their litters, and (3) when sows are hand-fed in groups.

In one experiment, creep-fed pigs made 12 per cent faster gains on 20 per cent less feed, Sherritt related. The sows were hand-fed a poor ration of ear corn and minerals on rye pasture.

But another test, which has just been completed, showed no gain from creep-feeding pigs. This was largely because the sows and pigs had a good ration. They were self-fed shelled corn and supplement free-choice on Balbo rye or on brome grass and blue grass pasture.

A preliminary report on swine-breeding troubles was given by A. V. Nalbandov. Over the past two years, 57 sows and gilts with breeding troubles have been studied and examined after they were slaughtered.

One-half of them were "hard to settle," for unknown reasons. On the other half, the causes of sterility were discovered only after they were slaughtered.

Nalbandov urged farmers to get rid of slow breeders and animals with irregular heat periods. These conditions, he said, may be hereditary, and should not be transmitted to future generations. For the same reason, Nalbandov cautioned farmers against the use of hormones on swine with reproductive troubles.

A double-barreled new pricing plan, explained by E. F. Ferrin, University of Minnesota, has eliminated 83 per cent of pricing errors in buying hogs, he said. The new plan, now being tried experimentally, is based on more accurate pricing of live hogs, and grading the carcasses on the rail in the packing plant.

"True, there are difficulties in selling hogs by carcass weight and grade," Ferrin admitted, "but the possibilities are so good they deserve more study."

In discussing the question of parity price support, E. L. Butz, agricultural economist at Purdue University, declared: "There is some prospect that American agriculture may move toward nationalization in the next 10 years."

A system of artificially high, fixed price supports would produce huge food and fiber surpluses, he said, and strict government control would result.

"If this situation occurs," Butz said, "there will be no 'voluntary' controls. Everything must be compulsory."

Butz urged farmers to favor a moderate range of support prices within the 60 to 90 per cent of parity bracket.

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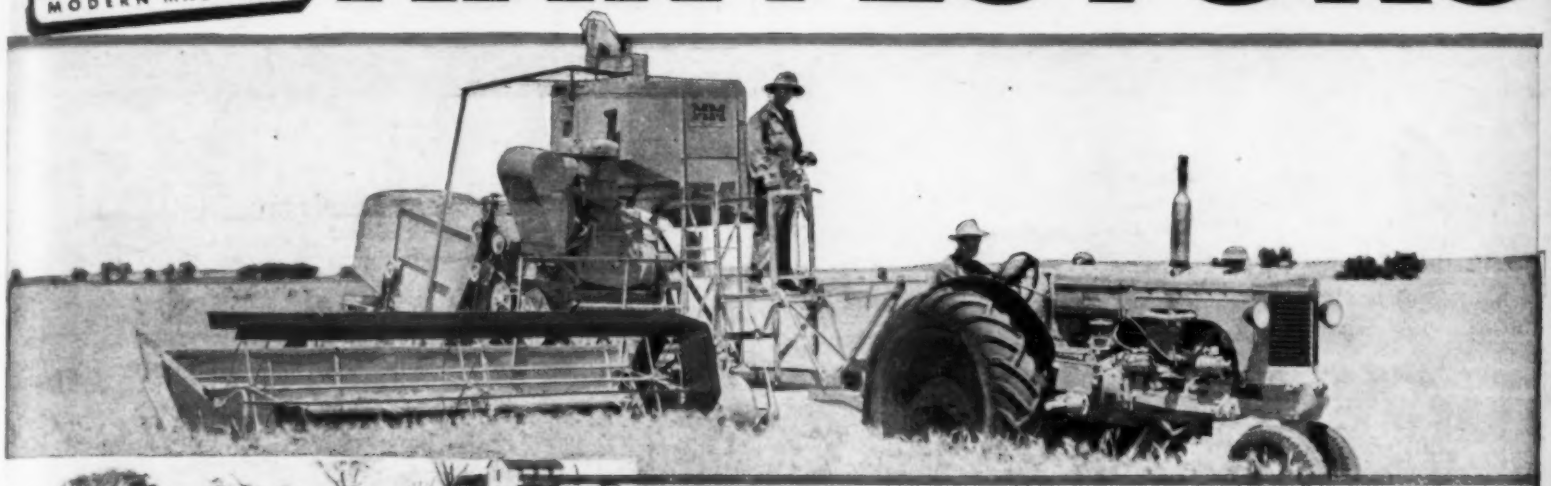

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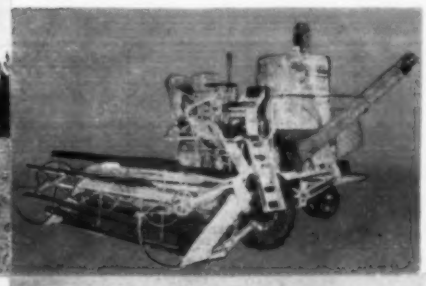

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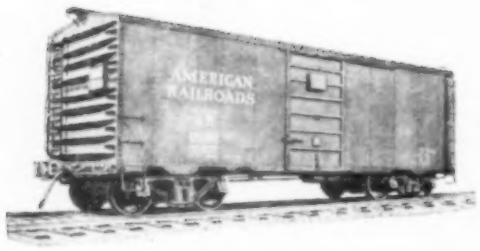

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Hog Prices Next September

Iowa Farmers Say What They Think Hogs Will Bring In September And December

IF YOU push your 1949 spring pigs along fast enough so they can be sold in September, what are they likely to bring? Iowa farmers are guessing around $17 a hundred.

A few pessimists talk about prices under $12. A few optimists hope for $21 or more. But most expect a price in the $15-$20 range.

Of the owner-operators, 28 per cent expected a price of $19-$20 in September, while only 15 per cent of the renters were that hopeful. Little farmers were more apt to expect low prices than were big farmers.

One farmer in Jackson county said: "I don't think we need to worry too much about the price of hogs next fall. Beef is apt to be pretty scarce, if the ranchers have been hit as hard as the newspapers report."

But a Guthrie county farmer insisted that: "I don't think I'll get any more for this bigger bunch of hogs than I did for the smaller lot I sold last year."

A farmer in Appanoose county guessed: "I think they'll be $12-$14. I'd sure like to see them at $17-$18."

If hogs will bring $17 in September — according to Iowa farmers — what will they sell for in December?

The farmers interviewed in this Wallace-Homestead Poll expect a drop of about two dollars in price. At $15 in Iowa, hogs would be somewhere around the support price.

Almost three-fourths of those who were interviewed seemed to think hogs might drop to support levels in December. Altho the exact support price for December

See If You Agree With This!

The WALLACE-HOMESTEAD POLL asked a cross-section of Iowa farmers:

"What do you think hogs will bring per hundred next September?"

3 per cent said "Under $12"	22 per cent said "$17 to $18"
14 per cent said "$12 to $14"	22 per cent said "$19 to $20"
31 per cent said "$15 to $16"	8 per cent said "$21 or more"

"How much do you think hogs will bring per hundred next December?"

12 per cent said "Under $12"	17 per cent said "$17 to $18"
31 per cent said "$12 to $14"	7 per cent said "$19 and up"
33 per cent said "$15 to $16"	

"John prides himself on always buying the first pair he tries on."

has not yet been announced, the expectation is that it will be in the $14-$15 range in Iowa.

Middle-aged farmers were 40 per cent sure of a $15-$16 price. Biggest group of younger men expected $12-$14. Owners were a little more hopeful than renters. And big farmers expected more of a December drop than did the small farmers.

A Clay county man said: "I'm just fool enough to think I'll get $15-$16 next winter."

A Union county farmer looked back on feeding losses this past winter: "I sure got taken on my hogs this time. Guess I got them too heavy."

And a Guthrie county farmer said: "I lost a lot of paper profit on some hogs I sold this year. Held them past the peak."

In Bremer county, an older farmer declared: "I don't look for hog prices to go much lower than they are now. If they do, there'll be a meat shortage, because farmers will quit raising so many."

An Appanoose county man was hopeful, too: "I believe prices will stay up. A lot of folks don't. But we should try to raise hogs with more meat and less lard."

Another man in the same county wasn't so sure. "That's like asking what the weather will be," he said.

In past surveys, Iowa farmers have been conservative in guessing at future prices. Usually, the actual price has run higher than the price they predicted a few months before.

Nobody knows whether this present prediction will also run below actual price in September and December. But if federal hog supports take hold, prices could be a little higher than some farmers now expect.

Plow Or Disk Land For Second Seeding?

To the Editor: I sowed some oats and clover last year, but got no stand of clover. I would still like to get some clover started on that field. Could I sow oats there this year and just disk them in? Or should I plow the field?—L. K., Henry County, Iowa.

The question of plowing or disking would probably depend a great deal on your weed problem. If last year's oats had a lot of weeds that customarily show up in oats, then it probably would be risky to sow without plowing.

But if your oats were free of weeds, then you could probably get by with just a good double disking. It might be that you could plow any weedy spots, then disk the rest of the field.

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Voice of the Farm

Has His Own Social Security Plan

To the Editor: If farmers do not get the Social Security program they want, let them start their own.

Instead of buying black market cars, fur coats, etc., we buy bonds. Our family is also strong for life insurance — our premiums run around $100 per month.

Nevertheless, I would be in favor of a just Social Security act for farmers.—Henry Kluemper, Lyon County, Iowa.

Many folks count on a paid-for farm for their retirement income. But it doesn't always work.—Editor.

Against Two-Hour Bus Ride

To the Editor: You ask: "How far do Iowa pupils ride to school?" We live in the northwest corner of Kossuth county, along the Minnesota line. Last year, all schools were closed in this township. So every day my two children ride a good 50 miles to (and from) Armstrong school, located in Emmet county.

We are in favor of redistricting schools so our children won't have to ride the bus an hour each morning and night. — Mrs. Clarence Jacobs, Kossuth County, Iowa.

Many folks wouldn't mind going that far to a really good school—if their roads would let them get there that fast.—Editor.

"Bus Drivers Get Too Independent"

To the Editor: I have lived in consolidated school districts most of the time since my children first started to school, and there has always been more or less trouble about getting to school.

Too many bus drivers get too independent after they drive a school bus a few years. We don't ask them to come in when the roads are impassable—the children are willing to walk then. But when they refuse to come in after we send word with the children that the road is in good condition, that is another story.

Also, grade pupils don't get very far in the big schools. There are so many children in each class that the smart ones do the reciting and the others don't get any help. —Mrs. Kermit Rhodman, Monona County, Iowa.

Big schools certainly do not solve all the problems.—Editor.

Can Anybody Beat 1905 Copy?

To the Editor: I've read in your magazine where you have many old-time subscribers. I wonder if some of them have early issues of Wallaces' Farmer. I got to digging in some old newspapers in the attic and found a copy of your paper dated February 24, 1905. Can anybody beat it?—C. E. Phillips, Jr., Van Buren County, Iowa.

It's our guess that quite a few folks can.—Editor.

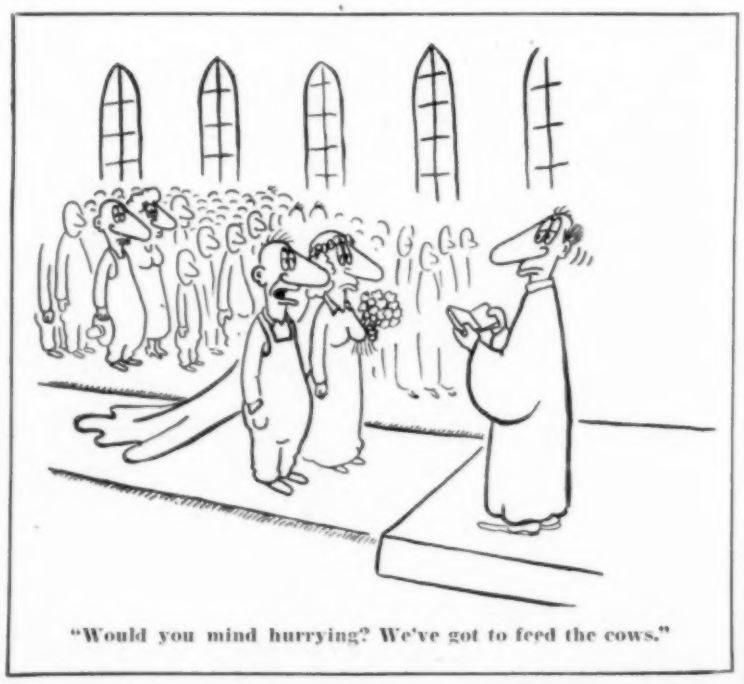
Schools Located In Wrong Places

To the Editor: Our county has two high schools, one in the south and one in the northeast. Both schools are overcrowded.

If two new schools were built more centrally, the maximum bus radius would be under 10 miles. But if the whole county is reorganized as one unit, as is being discussed, the farthest-out students might be nearer 20 miles away.

Our boy, who is the farthest out for his bus, is picked up at 7:30 and the bus is due in at 8:45. After school is the worst. Not a few students reach home with sick stomachs and headaches, due to the long ride in an overheated, stuffy bus after the more or less stuffy classroom hours.—Mrs. Ora Shull, Boone County, Illinois.

Reorganization would be easy —if we had the money to build new schools where they ought to be.—Editor.



"Would you mind hurrying? We've got to feed the cows."

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"This reminds me of my driving class in school—did you remember to turn in the direction of your skid?"

Ever Try Canned Cocklebur?

To the Editor: My sympathy to Mrs. Peter Rozebloom, of Sioux county, Iowa, on finding a caterpillar in the canned spinach.

Recently I sat down to a plate of spinach, only to run my fork into a well-sanded cocklebur.

If you've never tasted canned cocklebur, then you can't possibly know how appetizing it can be.—Mrs. Chester Kirkpatrick, Ringgold County, Iowa.

Is this why kids don't like spinach?—Editor.

Willing To Pay For Better Teachers

To the Editor: Changes in an educational system, or anything else, should be made only when they improve conditions. I don't see the need for improvements in our country schools.

I believe they can offer everything in education the larger schools can, plus more individual attention. The thing that determines how good any school is—town or country—is the teacher. Our rural schools in this area pay their teachers about the same monthly wage as the grade teachers of our nearby town receive.

Those who favor the bigger central high school argue that they want to see better education for our youth. Don't they realize there will be a lot of children who will not get to go to high school at all if they must go that far?

Here, again, all the small town high school needs is good teachers. We can pay for those as easily as we can pay for an expensive new system.—Mrs. Ivan Krueger, Mitchell County, Iowa.

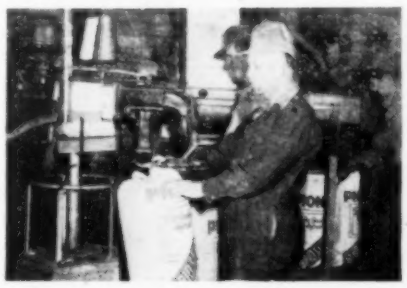
A school of any size can be good if folks are willing to pay the cost of making it that way. —Editor.

Wants U. S. To Launch "Peace Offensive"

To the Editor: Early this year, a new Communist "peace offensive" was announced. Our government regards this new line as a fraud.

While we can not believe the lies in propaganda from Moscow, there should be no reason for the United States not to press for renewed disarmament discussions. There is nothing to lose by a new endeavor to solve the problems between the U. S. and Russia. There's everything to lose if these problems are not solved.—Wayne Celerich, Scott County, Iowa.

Question for discussion: Does disarmament stop war?—Editor.



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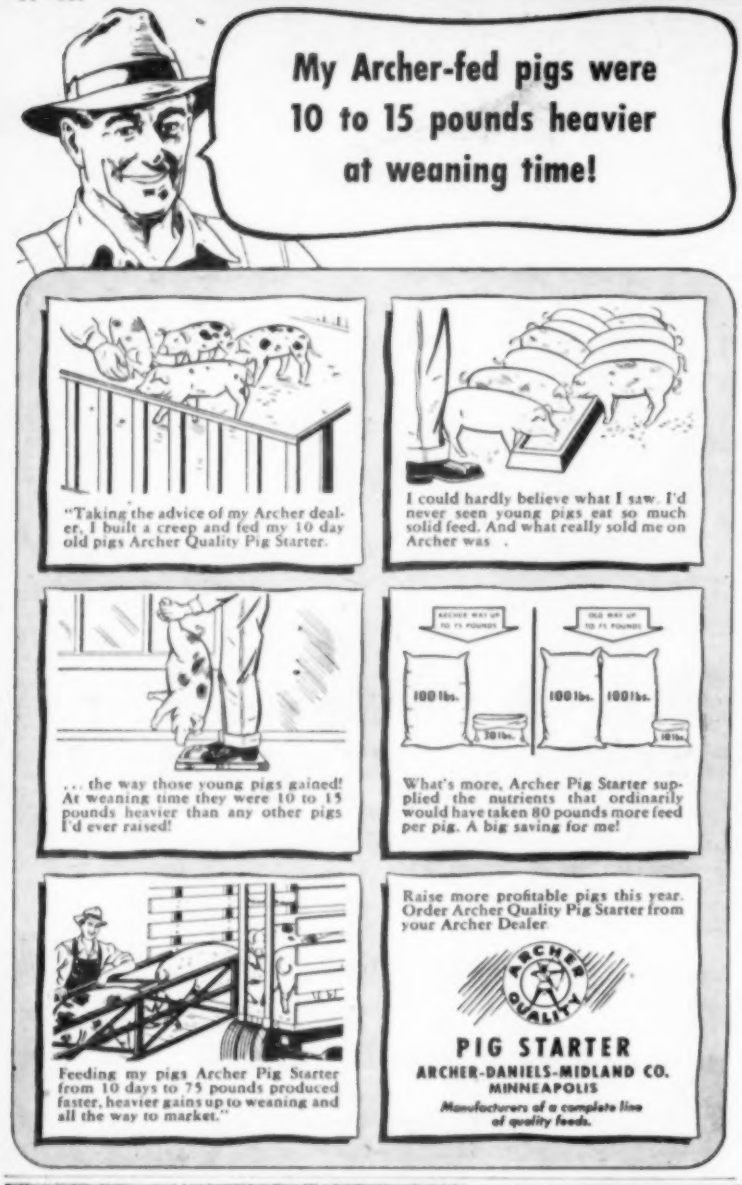

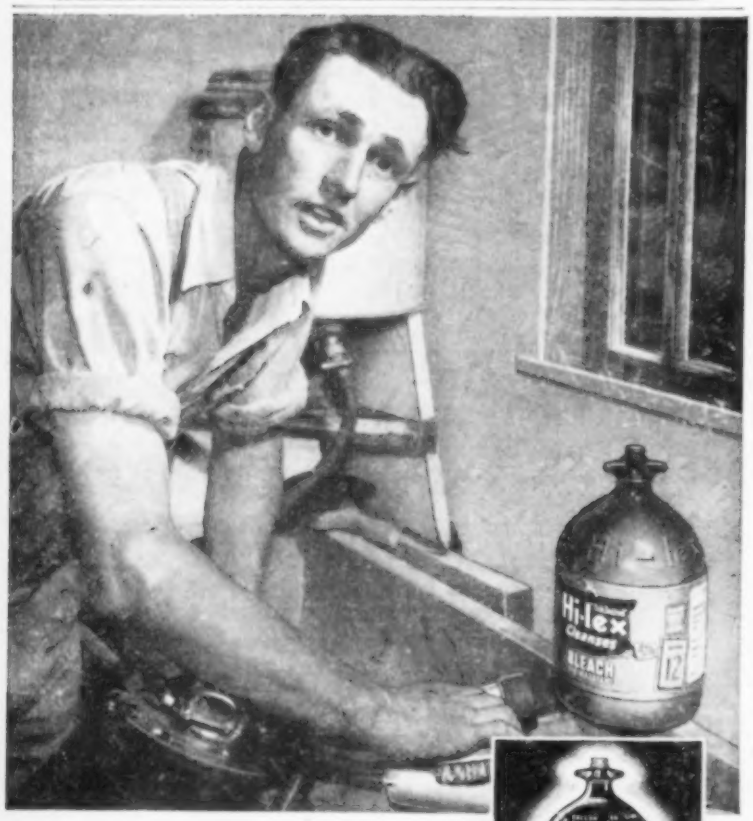

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THE season for baling hay is either just about over or just about to begin anew, depending upon how you look at it.

The pictures on this page show a 1948 pile of straw being removed from the field before 1949 spring work started.

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This is a portable one-man baler; the pick-up attachment carries the straw right into the press. All that is required of you is to keep plenty of straw on the apron.

Of course, there is something gone from the scene, too. No one will be able to say that he fed the baler just right and averaged a bale a minute.

2 Men would be hungry, Mrs. Gregersen knew. So she started getting ready by baking "twebakker." That's a Danish word meaning "twice-baked." You first bake the dough, then cover with sugar, butter and cinnamon, and bake again. As you see, it looks like rusk or zweiback.

3 This view shows the men feeding straw into portable baler. It seems to be easier and less dangerous than the old kind of stationary baler where you inserted blocks and tied wire by hand.

4 Neighbor Mrs. Howard Coglon and little daughter, Nancy, came over to help Mrs. Gregersen get dinner. It's getting closer to noon now—time to peel potatoes and get the pie in the oven.

Rotate Pastures For Most Feed

Move Stock From One Area To Another To Help Make Your Grass Go Farther

THERE are a great many farmers who are out—or almost out—of hay. In many areas over the corn belt, last year's seedings for hay or pasture did not live. So what permanent pastures are available will have to go farther than ever.

When you run out of hay at this time of the year, you look to the pasture.

But there is always the temptation to get the stock out on pasture too early. Some blue grass pastures already have been grazed right into the ground. That means poor growth later.

What can you do to stretch out your forage?

If you had enough time, you could triple the feed available from the old blue grass pastures. Renovation and reseeding would do it. But, of course, that won't help this summer. It would take a year or two.

Holding your stock off the pasture until the blue grass has made a growth of four or five inches means more feed in the long run. But you don't want to let your stock starve in the meantime.

It may be that rotation of the pastures would help. An electric fence makes it easy to divide the blue grass pastures. In that way, you can let half of the blue grass get a decent start.

Ten years ago, some of the experiment stations doubted that rotation grazing made much difference on blue grass pastures. It definitely helped grass-and-legume mixtures make more feed, but not grass alone.

Today, most of these stations are agreed that rotation grazing helps blue grass to produce more feed during the season. Graze part of the pasture for a while. Give it a chance to grow back while the stock is in another area. Then switch back again.

Nitrogen fertilizer will give grass a boost. The best way to add nitrogen to grass is to grow legumes with the grass. As an emergency proposition, however, you might want to use straight nitrogen fertilizer on your pasture.

Later this summer, blue grass pastures won't amount to much. You can improve them some by mowing them to kill weeds. Then the weeds don't compete with the grass. But blue grass still goes dormant when temperature gets much above 85 degrees.

Sudan grass will make a good midsummer pasture. You can seed sudan when the ground warms up. It will come on just as the blue grass slows up.

By saving a couple of fields for a temporary or emergency pasture, you can rotate your stock from permanent grass to temporary pastures and get more out of all of them.

There's another way to stretch pastures. You may have more grass than you can use this spring, and run short in July and August. If you think that might happen, make grass silage out of the surplus this spring. Feed the silage when pastures turn brown.

Grasshoppers may cut down on the forage you have. They don't bother blue grass pastures like they do legumes. But keep your eye on them. Be ready to poison them as soon as they hatch.

And if you have a shortage of pasture at your place year after year, start making plans to renovate and improve some of your blue grass seedings. Then you'll have plenty of pasture.

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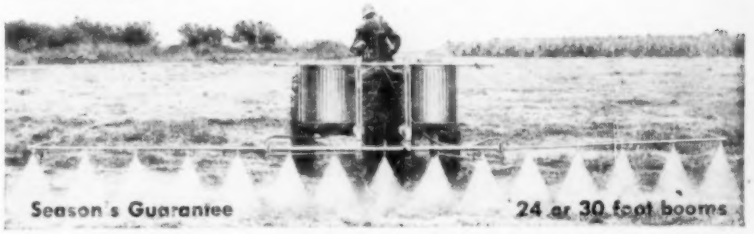

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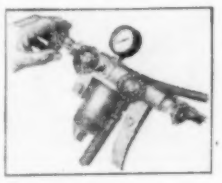

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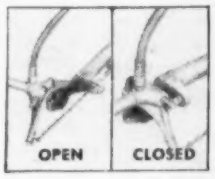

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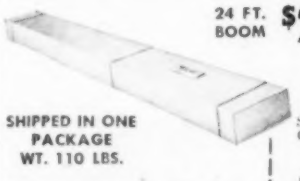

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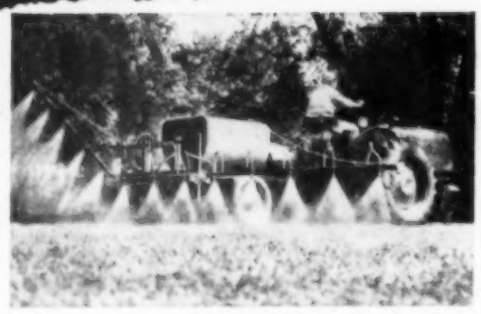

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Parchment paper under the lid of a cream can keeps dirt out. Fieldman Alfred P. Breitbach (right) and Thomas R. Dunn, dairyman, both from Delaware county, Iowa, examine the exhibit.

Dirt Can Ruin Your Cream Market

Stiff Federal Inspections Condemn Iowa Butter That Is Made From Filthy Cream

IOWA creameries are worried about dirty butter. A carload of rejected butter sold as soap grease is a painful blow.

That's happened since federal inspection was tightened up. Federal inspection applies to all butter shipped out of Iowa—to about 80 per cent of the state's butter business.

So creameries are running sediment tests on the cream they buy. When a pad comes back marked No. 4—very dirty—it's the farmer's turn to get worried.

Unlike the stricter rules applying to selling whole milk, the only requirement for selling cream to a creamery is a clean sediment test. Good judgment tells any farmer that high-quality cream is important.

"We'd done what we could to clean up," said Ed Hawker, Delaware county farmer. "So when our fieldman brought back a No. 3 pad, I was just sick about it."

Right there the services of Alfred P. Breitbach, creamery fieldman, helped out. He made sediment tests of the milk at the barn. It was perfect. But a test of separated cream showed a No. 2 pad.

A. W. Rudnick, of Iowa State College dairy industry department, says that 95 per cent of the sediment in cream is picked up after the cream leaves the separator.

Hawker found there was some rust in the water he used to rinse his separator. "So now we rinse with skim-milk," he said. "And we keep the separator parts covered during the day."

"The ceiling is important in a milk room," Breitbach explains. "It should be tight and smooth, so dirt can not collect and fall into milk utensils." He explained, too, how iron in rinse water shows up as a rusty red on the sediment pad.

The cream can must be clean to start with. The Kansas experiment station took empty cans from 108 different cream stations, rinsed them, and made sediment tests.

There was everything from sand, metal and coal dust to rodent hairs and parts of insects in the sediment. These had accumulated in cream cans whether they were upside-down on racks with lids off, or set upright with lids on.

"Scrub before use" is the first recommendation about cream cans. "Tight lids" is the second.

Until a better lid is invented, some extra means must be used to keep dirt out. A cellophane "topper" or hood can be placed over the can top while it is being held on the farm until collection day. This is like the covers used for bowls of food in the refrigerator.

When the cream can leaves the farm, a sheet of parchment paper should be placed over the top of the can. Then the lid is pressed down into this. Be sure the lid is down tight.

This keeps dirt out while the can is on the way to the creamery. Supplies of parchment paper and the covers for the cans are furnished free to patrons by some creameries.

"Use a 15-inch-square parchment paper," says Rudnick. "An 11 or 12-inch paper is worse than nothing at all."

Most farmers who market milk want to sell a high-quality product. They realize that market acceptance of a good product helps the price. Fieldmen help find the cause of poor cream and advise on quality improvement. Their assistance is valuable.

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No time for a spring clean-up? Well, maybe you'll change your mind after reading this little story by N. J. Wardle, farm safety specialist at Iowa State College.

"HELLO, Mary! Anyone home?"

"Here, Lucille. In the kitchen. Come on out. Isn't it a lovely day?"

"Certainly is. Tom and I are going to run down to Dad and Mother's. Why not come along? Get Frank and let's go."

"Oh, no; not today, Lucille. We're having spring clean-up around the yard. My, how the junk accumulates!"

"Goodness, Mary, it's that way on all farms. Always have junk around, but not often do we get a day like this."

"No, Lucille; we've planned this clean-up. The kids are home today and we're all ready to go. You know, maybe you should have a spring clean-up, too. It might have prevented that sprained ankle you had last fall."

"Oh, piffle! That was because I ran across the yard to head the cows into the barn. Just happened to stumble on that old broken hoe."

"Maybe so. Well, have a good trip."

"Sorry you won't go. Good-bye."

As they drove off, Lucille began to think of Mary and Frank's clean, neat yard—and of their own, which she liked so much to leave.

"Tom, do you think we should have a clean-up?"

"Why? Place just gets cluttered up again."

"But I was thinking of how Mary seemed thrilled about cleaning up the place. We get our biggest thrill from going away from home. Tom, let's go home and have a clean-up ourselves."

"Oh, Lucille. Now you're being silly."

"No, Tom; let's do it. Maybe that's part of the reason for the accidents we have."

Tom and Lucille did go home. They had a real clean-up, too. They gathered up all the trash, raked the yard. Then Tom thought they should build a picket fence around the house. And the house was painted to match the fence.

And Tom and Lucille didn't go visiting so much, either. As Tom said, "Where can we find a better place to be than at home?"

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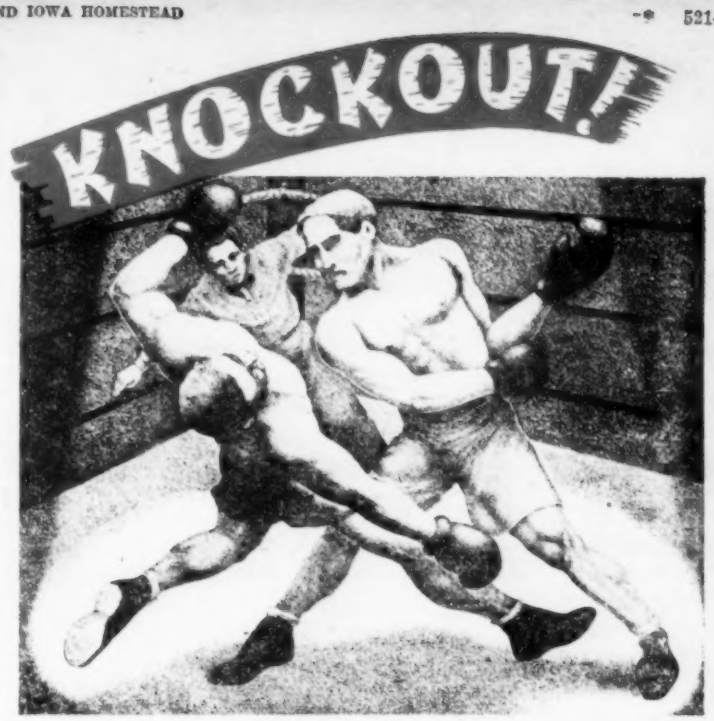

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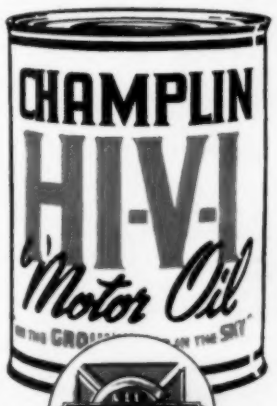

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July 1 Deadline For Vets' Tax Exemption

To the Editor: What is the deadline for filing for homestead and vets' tax exemption? —A. H., Cedar County, Iowa.

You have until July 1, 1949, to apply for your veteran's and homestead exemptions. The exemptions will then be effective for taxes payable in 1950.

No Rent Notice For Croppers

To the Editor: I am renting some extra ground away from my farm. Didn't the landlord there have to give me notice if he doesn't want me to have the land this year? — N. K., Louisa County, Iowa.

Since you are merely farming this land, you are not entitled to the notice by November 1 that tenancy is ended. The law does not apply to croppers who do not live on the land they cultivate.

Tenancy on such land ends on maturity of the crop.

Social Security Tax For Farmers?

To the Editor: If the proposed law to put farmers under Social Security goes thru, how much would we pay in Social Security taxes?—J. P., Appanoose County, Iowa.

Under proposed amendments to the Social Security Act, self-employed persons (including farmers) would pay a tax of 2¼ per cent on their net incomes up to $4,800.

In other words, if you net $4,800 a year or more, your Social Security tax would be $108 a year.

In return, you'd be eligible to receive up to $86.75 a month when you reach 65 or become disabled.

County Roads Throw Water On Land

To the Editor: Does a county have the right to put in roads and ditches so that they throw more water on a person's land? What if the county puts in too small a bridge, so that the water is dammed up and floods crops?—K. N., Turner County, South Dakota.

The county has no right to change the highway drainage from the natural flow of water. It also has no right to increase the flow of water so it is more than the natural water flow.

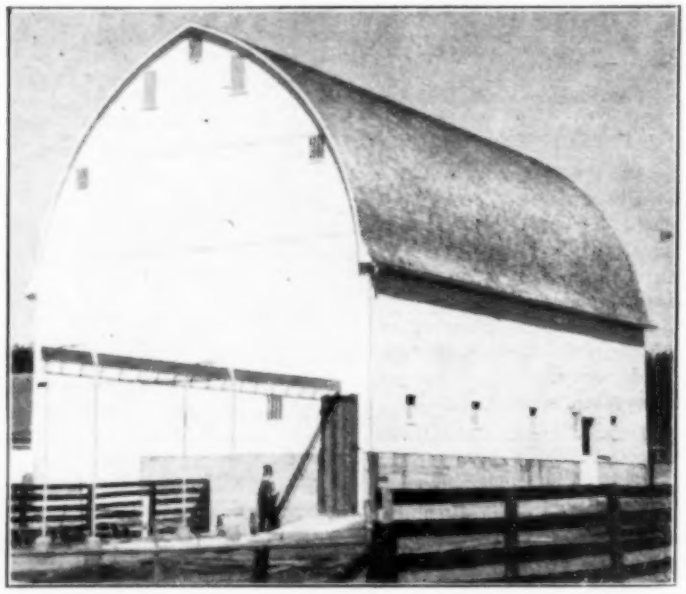
Your recourse is to bring suit against the county. If the changed water flow exists for 10 years, then the county can continue it.

Mulberry Tree Needs No Mate

To the Editor: Can you tell me if there is any way you can stop a mulberry tree from bearing, yet not kill it?—Mrs. E. S., Dallas County, Iowa.

We know of no way this can be done. Mulberry trees have both staminate and pistillate (male and female) flowers on the same tree. So, if the tree has enough vigor to produce buds, it will bear fruit.

High-Pockets Barn



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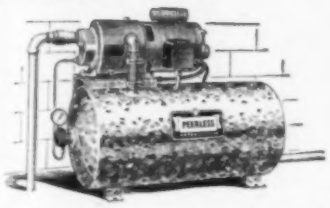

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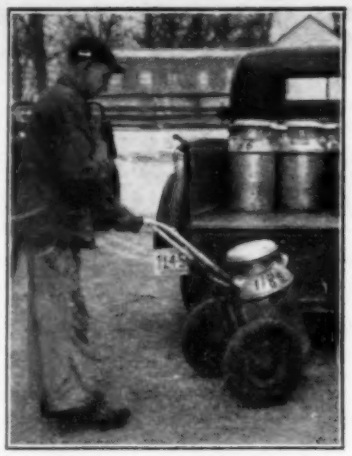


Moving cans from milk house to truck is no problem for Art Svee, Goodhue county, Minnesota. Rubber-tired cart is easy to roll, even thru mud and snow.

Straw Is Part Of Crop

To the Editor: Is there any law requiring that straw be left when you leave the farm? —M. H., Scott County, Iowa.

No. Straw is a part of the crop. So, unless there is some provision in the lease which provides that the straw can not be removed from the farm, you can take your share away or sell it, just the same as any other crop.

School Board Is Not Liable

To the Editor: Our child was seriously hurt when a steel pole fell on her while she was playing in the schoolyard. Can we make the school board pay for damages?—L. E., O'Brien County.

You could not recover damages against the school board. It has no legal liability in this case.

Even if the school board were willing to pay doctor bills, it would not be legal for it to do so. The board can spend money only for legal claims.

What's Fair Share For Keeping Hogs?

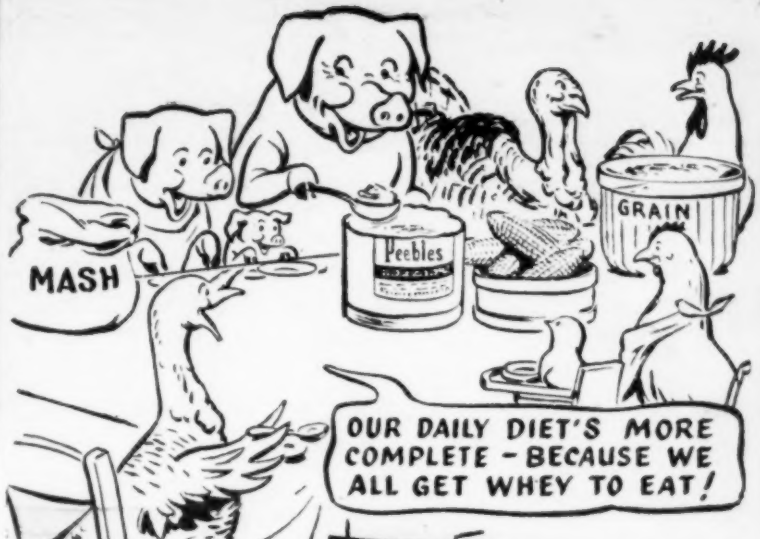
To the Editor: I am keeping some sows for a friend of mine. I will keep them until they are big enough to market. What would be a fair share basis for raising these hogs? — E. Y., Pottawattamie County, Iowa.

Tests at the Iowa experiment station indicate that about 80 per cent of the cost of hogs is feed. The other 20 per cent is labor, equipment, capital investment, veterinary bills, etc.

Your friend will furnish the capital investment. He also furnishes that part of the feed cost represented by the sows. You furnish the labor, equipment and the feed from now on.

It looks as if you should receive at least 80 per cent of the pigs farrowed. Cost of pigs is 80 per cent feed. Your labor and equipment should at least balance his share of feed cost. That leaves his capital investment stacked against your feed bill.

A four-to-one split seems to be justified. The finish you put on the sows, and the payment of veterinary and vaccination bills, should have some effect on the division.



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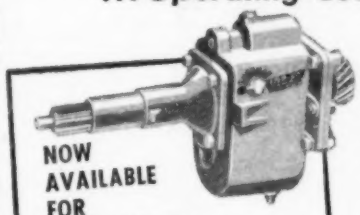

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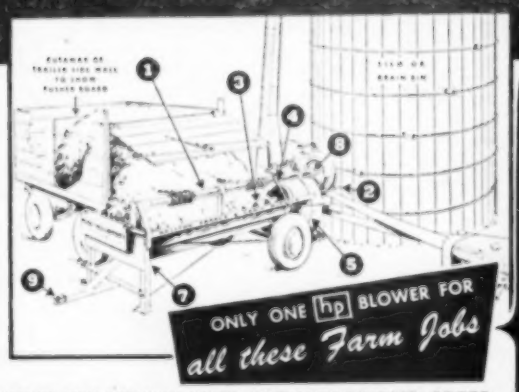

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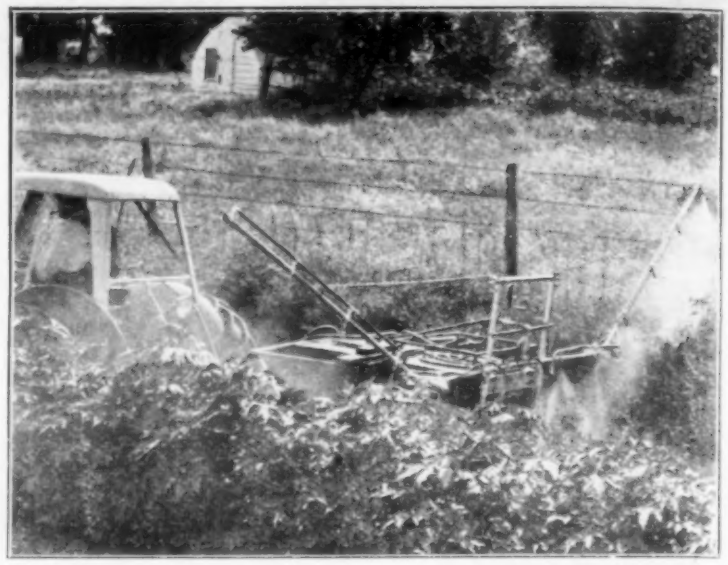

Get Early start if there is a big hatch of grasshoppers. The 'hoppers you poison in fence rows, pastures and meadows while they are little won't damage your corn, oats and seedings later on.

Baby 'Hoppers Are Ones To Kill

Control Most Effective, Less Expensive If You Start When Grasshoppers Hatch

FARMERS in southwest Iowa learned a great deal about killing grasshoppers with chemicals last summer. If the weather this spring brings a serious infestation —eggs are already in the soil— some of last year's mistakes won't be repeated.

Sam Rogers and son Orris, both of whom operate Pottawattamie county, Iowa, farms, used chlordane on 130 acres of corn and 20 acres of soybeans threatened by 'hoppers last summer.

The corn was sprayed by plane, the beans with a ground outfit.

"We got a good kill," Orris says. "But we waited too long. This summer, if the 'hoppers look bad, I think we can control them with a lot less expense.

"The place to get them is in the fence rows, pastures and along roadsides, where they first hatch out. If we had sprayed those places when the 'hoppers were little, we wouldn't have had to cover so many acres," he says.

Entomologists, like Earle Raun and Harold Gunderson, of the Iowa State College extension service, agree that the time to kill grasshoppers is when they are little.

For one thing, 'hoppers usually hatch in a small area. They will be concentrated in such spots. As they grow, they spread out over many more acres. And they do more damage as they grow.

"The grasshoppers killed most of the spring seedings around here, killed some oats and damaged some corn. But you can prevent that with chemicals if you start early and use the right amount at the right time," Orris Rogers said.

He, like Robert Richter, who also farms in Pottawattamie county, told how thick the dead 'hoppers were after spraying.

"When we sprayed our alfalfa, you could go out in some of the rills or little gullies and scrape up dead 'hoppers a bucketful at a time," Richter said.

Several chemicals can be used to kill 'hoppers. Among the recommended ones are toxaphene, chlordane and BHC (benzene hexachloride).

Spray or dust the areas where 'hoppers are hatching. The 'hoppers that damage corn generally hatch in the fence rows or small areas in adjoining pastures and meadows. Treat these areas and a few rows of corn. You can kill the 'hoppers before they move into the corn.

If an entire meadow is infested, you may do well to remove the hay crop and then treat. It depends somewhat on when the 'hoppers hatch.

In any event, do not pasture milk cows, or cattle being fed for immediate slaughter, on newly-treated areas. Wait at least three weeks. The chemicals might not hurt the cattle, but the cows might secrete dangerous amounts in their milk. Or too much might accumulate in the fatty tissues of steers.

Right now, of course, it's too early for you to tell whether you will have to fight 'hoppers or not. But surveys show that dangerous amounts of grasshopper eggs are present in many parts of Iowa.

Favorable grasshopper weather can make them a real threat. So it is wise to be ready.

Toxaphene Effective On Chinch Bugs

The Oklahoma agricultural experiment station says toxaphene is the best insecticide yet tested for the control of chinch bugs.

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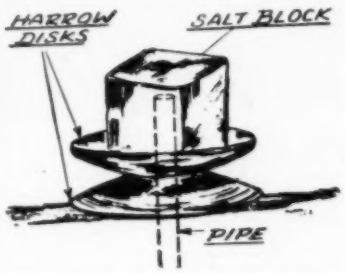
Drive a length of pipe into the ground, and drop a pair of old harrow discs over it as shown. You will have a salt block holder that keeps your block up off the ground and won't hold water.



Most salt blocks have a hole drilled in the center, so they can be dropped over the pipe. Otherwise, it isn't hard to make a hole.

Pipe and discs probably will rust badly from the salt. But a coating of hard cup grease will help keep rust down.

How To Mark Your Name On Tools

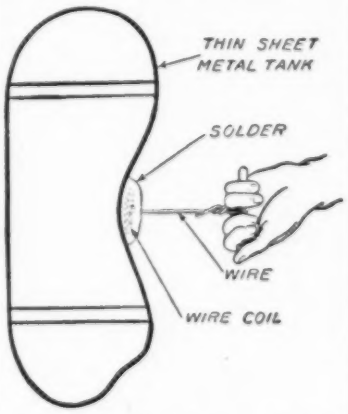
Here is a simple way to mark your tools. For power, use a well-charged storage battery with a heavy wire and clip attached to each battery post.

Prepare an electrode by sharpening the carbon post from an old dry cell. Fasten this in one clip, and the other clip goes on the tool. Then write your name or initials with the carbon point.

This works especially well on chrome or vanadium finished tools. It makes an indelible mark which can be removed only by filing or grinding. You should have several electrodes, as they soon get red-hot.

How To Straighten Metal Tanks

If you can't reach the dented spot in a metal tank, or can't force it out with water pressure, here's how to straighten the dent out:



Make a coil on the end of a No. 9 wire and solder it onto the tank at the dented place. When the wire is solidly attached, pull with one hand and at the same time pound around the outside of dent with a rawhide or other soft hammer.

After the dent is straightened, you can melt the solder off. If the tank can't be soldered, you can weld a wire to the dent.

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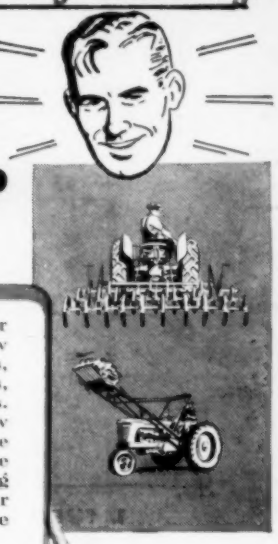

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"If you want to get rid of large roundworms in pigs easy and fast," V. A. Pierce, jovial Pittsfield, Ill., feed dealer, advises his customers, "then mix Pay-U Large Roundworm Expeller with your feed.

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"I like to recommend Pay-U because it's so easy to use. You just mix it with their feed, or have your feed-mixer mix it for you. That's all you do. The pigs treat themselves. And you should see how they start putting on weight after they're free of those worms!"

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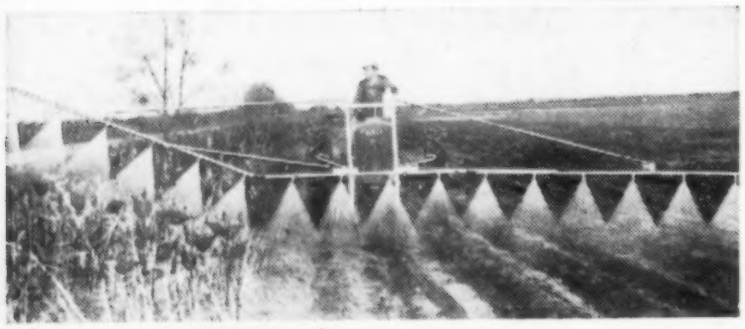

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Expand Corn Crop Insurance

Growers In Nine Counties Can Buy Protection Against Everything From Drouth To Insects

FIVE years ago, the government offered corn crop insurance in two Iowa counties, on a trial basis. For 1949, farmers in nine Iowa counties will be offered the insurance.

In the first trials of corn insurance in Iowa, two kinds of insurance were offered. One was yield insurance. The other was investment insurance.

Under the yield insurance plan, you gave a certain number of bushels per acre, or cash to match, for the guarantee of a specified yield. This was tried in Marion county.

Under the investment plan, the farmer paid a cash premium per acre, and got a guarantee of a certain number of dollars per acre. This was first tried in Buena Vista county.

In the five years since these first trials, some counties have been dropped and others added to make the nine at present. Only one type of insurance is offered—the investment type.

The intent of the investment type of insurance is to cover out-of-pocket expense in planting and tending a corn crop. It does not pretend to cover the full value of the crop.

The corn crop insurance is all-risk insurance. It protects the farmer against dry weather and wet weather, heat and cold, insects and wildlife, hail, wind and plant diseases.

The government crop insurance does not replace hail insurance, necessarily, says Maurice O'Reilly, Iowa crop insurance head. Farmers can carry both and get full payment from each.

The counties in which corn crop insurance will be offered this year are Buena Vista, Osceola, Floyd, Story, Washington, Madison, West Pottawattamie, Cerro Gordo and Union.

Buena Vista county has been in the corn insurance program five years. Cerro Gordo and Union were added this year. The others are starting their second year.

Under the all-risk insurance plan, a farmer with 100 acres of corn might be able to carry either $20 or $25 per acre insurance. The premium would be from 50 to 80 cents per acre.

The amount of insurance that can be carried per acre is fixed for each county according to the production in that county. And the premium is fixed according to the risk in that county.

For instance, the amount of insurance might be $25 per acre in Buena Vista county, but only $20 per acre in Madison county. And the premium might be higher in Madison county.

You can find out the total insurance permitted for your county and the premium rate by inquiring at your county AAA office, or by asking your township committeeman.

The insurance works like this: If a farmer has 100 acres of corn, if the permitted insurance is $25 per acre and the premium rate is 70 cents per acre, then he would pay $70 for the protection.

If the corn was totally destroyed by drouth or other cause, he would get $2,500. If the corn was partially destroyed, it would work like this:

We'll say the total value of the crop was $15 per acre. Then the farmer would get a check for $10 per acre, or $1,000.

Current corn loan rates are used in figuring the value of a partially destroyed crop, if the corn is eligible for a loan. If the corn is not eligible, the actual value or the market value is used.

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OUTSIDE STUFF

THE difference in the length of the growing season in southern and northern Iowa always seems most pronounced in March. During the middle of March, I worked two weeks in southern Iowa. Then I went into the northern tier of counties. It seemed like spring had suddenly received a two or three-week set-back.

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FARMERS who face community-wide problems of weed and insect control seem to realize the value of cooperative, democratic action better than most folks.

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BUT plenty of farmers who have seen a neighbor's thistle seed blow over their land also realize that even a democracy has need for quite a lot of punitive authority. Or so they've been telling me. In some other states, weed law enforcement men have that authority, too.

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LAST winter, I was amazed at the penmanship in a letter I received from W. L. Jackson, of Floyd county, Iowa. Recently, I saw him and asked about that writing. It looked like the fancy script on a high school diploma.

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"WHEN I was a kid, I spent a year in a school at Quincy, Ill. That's all we did—just practice writing," he explained. I asked about jobs in the fancy writing field. Jackson said he probably could still get work, making diplomas and so on, but he preferred to farm.

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"SOME people sure are surprised when they see an ordinary old farmer write like that, tho," he said, with a chuckle.

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ESPECIALLY at this season of the year, the noon-time conversation of a bunch of farm editors would amuse practicing farmers.

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DURING lunch, we worry and argue as much over buying 200 pounds of lime and a couple of sacks of lawn fertilizer as you would over buying a carload of 0-20-0. Transplanting a shrub becomes a big project. And most of us once helped build 80 rods of real fence in less time than it now takes us to put up a backyard fence on a 50-foot lot.—W. D. Inman.

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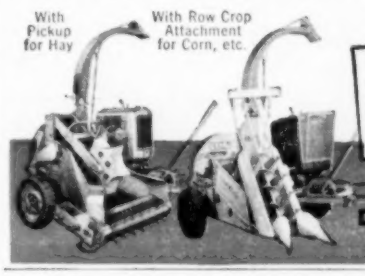

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Homemaking Department

Edited by **ZOE MURPHY**

Even boys are interested in spring-time sewing. Michael watches his mother, Mrs. Joe Gamble, of Cedar county, Iowa, put the finishing touches on a pretty curtain.

Spring-Time Sewing

YOU who like to sew will be thrilled by the wide array of fabrics on dry goods counters this spring. Said one farm woman: "Never have I seen so many good fabrics, such variety of patterns and such uniformly good quality as now."

Here's a new material—announced as one of the wonders in post-war textiles. It's made of cotton, with fine aluminum threads woven in to make metallic stripes or plaid effects.

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Iridescent materials are another exciting attraction on yard goods counters. You can find them in cotton chambrays, rayon shantungs and broadcloths, also in some sports denims.

How do they get this changing color effect, or iridescence? It's in the weave. For the ordinary chambray, cross-wise threads are always white. Color or stripe effects are brought in on threads which run the length of the goods.

But in iridescent chambrays there are colored threads running both ways. For example, one piece had lavender threads cross-wise and blue threads length-wise of the goods. The effect was truly a changing "lavender-blue."

A similar method is used in other iridescent materials. One denim gave the effect of a different color on the wrong side. This was due to the method used in weaving.

Cotton manufacturers seem to have outdone themselves in the variety and quality of their offerings. Ordinary chambray—both plain and in stripes—is very popular this spring.

When you come to prints—to be made into house-dresses and the like—many of the patterns being shown have small figures and often black backgrounds. Some remind one of Grandmother's old calico. But they possess qualities that Grandmother never dreamed of.

You can find offerings that are really color-fast, also sanforized or pre-shrunk. Watch the labels on the materials for this. It is doubtful if cheaper prints that do not contain these features are a wise purchase.

Of course, you can find prints in the lighter colors, too. In a higher price-bracket you'll find prints that have finer threads and a softer, smoother effect.

These make up nicely for your better cotton dresses. All of the prints have prettier and clearer colors and more attractive patterns than last year.

There are cottons for all kinds of clothes — from sports wear to dress-up dresses.

A waffle weave pique, which comes either plain or figured, is new and interesting. This is an addition to a full assortment of regular piques.

Ginghams come in a wide range of prices, in many lovely plaids. Price seems to vary with the fineness of the thread. Some are mercerized. Nearly all of them are marked color-fast and sanforized.

You'll find many sheer materials, such as batiste, dimity, organdy, dotted swiss. These are available in quantity for the first time in several years. They'll make lovely summer washables for the younger folks. Look for those that have permanent finishes—that is, dots woven in, not pasted on—and crispness that survives washing and ironing.

There are corded materials, too. Some are cotton, some are rayon. All of them are marked washable.

In looking over rayon materials, you'll find an improvement in washability. One maker's label reads: "Unconditionally guaranteed for washing." These come in both prints and plain colors.

Rayon butcher linen comes in two weights, and is marked pre-shrunk and wrinkle-resistant. That should make it more practical. To make rayon materials resistant to wrinkling, they are treated by a resin process. Rayons so treated include gabardines and suiting material. The latter is lovely for suit-dresses.

Shantung, with its characteristic nubby weave, is particularly popular this spring. It comes both in rayon and silk. The silk is very beautiful, and seems impossible to wrinkle.

Silks are making their appearance after several years' absence. There are many nice silk prints.

More daring and striking use of color is noticeable this year in all materials. The dark background is one innovation. For such, gray is often used. One clerk remarked: "I've never seen more blues and lavenders." They're very popular.

Figures in patterns are of all sizes, but small figures predominate. The "paisley" design is often seen. And stripes abound, in varied arrangement.

Mrs. Walter Klopping (center), of Pottawattamie county, Iowa, inspects the harness of the ox that is about to take her and some of the other members of the party for a "spin."

Woman-To-Woman Report On Europe

Ten Iowa Women Give A First-Hand Report Of Extended Tour Of Europe

IF YOU want to find out how the Marshall Plan works, just go over and talk to the people who are receiving help under it. That's what some 30 midwestern farm women have done recently.

Of course, it wasn't as simple as that—it was a well-organized tour, planned so that the women would be able to get into the homes and talk with farm women in nine different countries in Europe.

This tour was under the direction of Mary Foster, a well-known midwestern radio commentator. Ten of the 30 women in the tour were from Iowa farms.

Mrs. Walter Klopping, of Pottawattamie county, Iowa, said that "Foreign countries need reassurance as well as the help—they feel the United States is their only hope."

She went on to say that living conditions in all of the countries they visited were far below ours. For instance, in Germany the visiting women were astonished at the primitive methods employed by German farmers. At the same time, they were amazed at the great production some of the farmers were able to achieve.

They all agreed that German farmers work hard. And many of the women felt that the trip thru Germany was the high spot of the tour.

Many thought that England is making the hardest and most successful effort to get back on its feet. English people were strictly rationed, but Mrs. Klopping said she saw fewer black markets in England than in any other country visited.

Switzerland—the country which didn't experience war—had the highest standard of living. Women in Switzerland had more appliances and more modern help than any other country.

Hundreds of women would have liked to have made this trip to Europe, but the number had to be narrowed down to 30. Each woman accepted with the understanding that she would report back to her community on her observations.

In addition to Mrs. Klopping, the Iowa women on the tour were: Mesdames J. J. Meyers, Carroll county; Edwin Mitchell, Pottawattamie; Hattie Giese, Harrison; Ralph A. Olesen, Hamilton; J. W. Knutsen, Palo Alto; Louisa Pitka and Florence Steffy, Poweshiek; S. O. Knudson, Buena Vista and Lawrence Ricke, Hamilton.

Placing Trees And Shrubs

WHILE planting things is second nature to most Iowans, setting out individual plants and getting them to grow so they will have the most effect on beautifying the home grounds may be unfamiliar and require planning.

That's why John Fitzsimmons, extension landscape architect at Iowa State College, offers these planting suggestions.

First on his list of suggestions is to dig the hole big enough to allow good root-spread. A shrub should be set in a hole that is one and one-half inches deeper than that from which the plant was dug.

Soil needs to be pulverized and packed around the roots by hand when the plant is set out. Remove all the deadwood above the last live bud.

Placing of trees is important, especially if they are to be used for supplying shade around the house. Fitzsimmons suggests that such trees be considered as an element of appearance as well as a canopy of shade.

Besides windbreaks and shade trees that can be planted this spring, Fitzsimmons suggests setting out some smaller ornamental trees, such as crabapple, redbud or hawthorne, that can be used effectively toward the back of a farmstead or lawn.

Good together—for dessert

Fig Tapioca

RECIPE: Mix ⅓ cup tapioca, ½ cup sugar, ¼ tsp. salt, add to 2 cups rapidly boiling water. Stir over low heat about 5 min. until tapioca is clear. Cool 15 min., add grated rind and juice of 1 lemon. Fold in 1 cup coarsely chopped dried figs, scalded, ½ cup coarsely cut walnuts. Mix well, chill and serve with whipped cream.

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COOKERY CORNER

PINEAPPLE DROP COOKIES

- ¾ cup lard
- ¾ cup butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- ½ cup sour cream
- ½ cup pineapple juice
- 3½ cups flour (about)
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon soda

Measure and sift dry ingredients together in a bowl. Cut in shortening, as for pie crust. Add beaten egg, pineapple juice and sour cream. Stir only enough to blend. Drop on oiled cooky sheets. Press a small piece of pineapple into each cooky. Bake at 400 degrees until light brown (about 12 minutes). — Miss Orvad Koenigsberg, Franklin County, Iowa.

PLUM PIE-CAKE

- 3 tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 cup drained, pitted, canned plums
- 1½ cups plum juice
- ½ cup water
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 tablspoon lemon juice
- 2 eggs
- ¼ teaspoon cream of tartar
- ½ teaspon salt
- 6 tablespoons sugar
- ½ cup sifted cake flour

Combine first seven ingredients in saucepan. Cook until mixture reaches full boil, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; add lemon juice. Pour into greased two-quart baking dish and keep hot. Beat eggs with cream of tartar until very thick and lemon-colored, adding sugar gradually. Add flour all at once and stir till smooth. Turn out over hot fruit mixture. Bake at 325 degrees for about 50 minutes, or until cake is done. Serve warm with or without whipped cream. Makes eight servings.—Mrs. L. W. Todd, California.

PEACH LAYER PUDDING

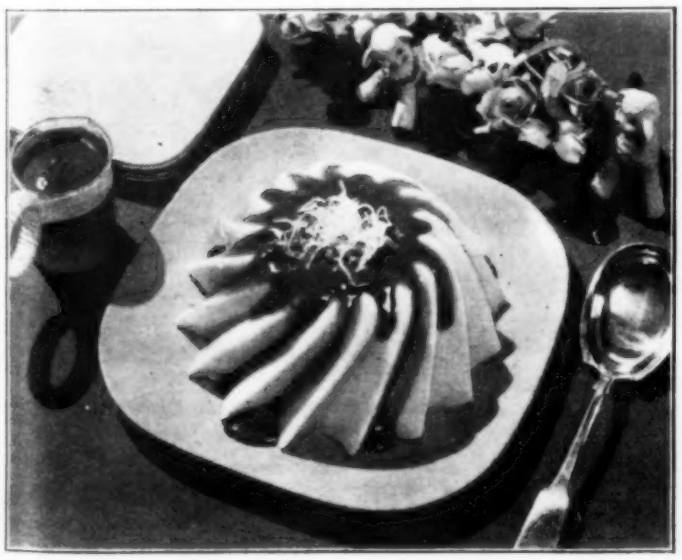
- 3 cups soft bread cubes
- ½ cup butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon mixed spices
- 1 teaspoon lemon extract
- 3 eggs
- 4½ cups corn flakes
- 2 cups cooked, sweetened peaches
- ½ cup syrup from peaches
- 4 tablespoons honey

Toast bread cubes lightly. Cream butter, add sugar and cream thoroly. Add bread cubes, baking powder, spices, flavoring, and mix. Add well-beaten eggs, mix thoroly. Add uncrushed corn flakes and mix lightly. Pour half of batter in greased baking pan. Place drained peaches over batter in a layer and cover with remaining batter. Combine honey and peach syrup and pour over top. Bake about one and one-fourth hours in a moderate oven. Makes 12 servings.—Mrs. Bud Crawford, Custer County, Nebraska.

LOVE KNOTS

- 1 cup butter
- 1 cup sugar
- Yolks of four eggs, well beaten
- ½ cup sour cream
- 1 teaspoon soda in cream
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 4 cups flour

Mix in order given. Roll out to thickness of your finger, cut into strips and form into knots. Dip in slightly beaten egg whites. Bake 10 minutes at 350 degrees.—Mrs. Herbert Andrews, Buena Vista County, Iowa.



Coconut Mound Dessert

- 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
- ½ cup cold milk
- 1¼ cups hot milk
- ¼ cup sugar
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon vanilla
- 1 cup shredded coconut, finely chopped

Soften gelatin in cold milk. Add hot milk, sugar and salt, and stir until dissolved. Add vanilla. Chill until mixture is the consistency of unbeaten egg whites. Stir in shredded coconut. Turn into large or individual molds and chill until firm. Unmold and serve with chocolate sauce. Yield, six servings.

Good Things To Eat.....

by MARY FOSTER

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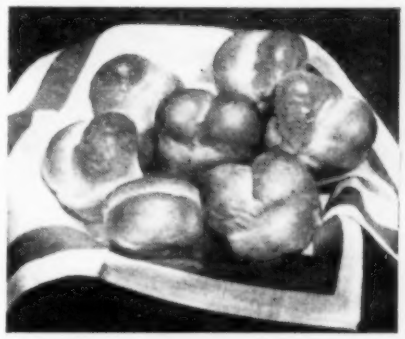

RICH REFRIGERATOR ROLLS

- 2 packages yeast, compressed or dry.
- ¼ cup lukewarm water
- 1 cup milk
- 2 teaspoons salt
- ¼ cup sugar
- ½ cup shortening
- 3 eggs, beaten
- 4½ cups sifted MOTHER'S BEST FLOUR

Soften yeast in lukewarm water. Scald milk. Add salt, sugar and shortening. Cool to lukewarm. Add 2 cups flour. Beat well. Add softened yeast and eggs. Blend thoroughly. Add remaining flour to make soft dough. Turn out on lightly floured board and knead until satiny. Place in lightly greased bowl. Cover and let rise in warm place (80° to 85° F.) until doubled (about 1 hour). Punch down. Form into smooth ball. Grease surface lightly, cover and put into refrigerator. When wanted, remove dough from refrigerator and punch down. Mold at once in any desired shape. Or, if preferred, let dough stand in warm room for an hour before molding. Place rolls in greased pans and let rise until doubled (about 45 min.). Bake in hot oven (425°) 15 to 20 minutes. Makes about 5 dozen rolls.

Send for these Recipes from the OLD COUNTRY

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Mrs. Fred Brown, chairman of the county health committee for Palo Alto county, Iowa, has experienced all of the frustrations and drawbacks that go with this job.

Of course, Mrs. Brown and her committee subscribed to the tuberculosis and the cancer drives, and the county responded valiantly. But there is always more to be done and right at home.

The county-seat of Palo Alto is Emmetsburg, and, like many other county-seat towns, there was no rest room where farm women could freshen up when they came to town to shop or to attend meetings. The committee felt this need and decided to do something about the matter.

It took a lot of talking and planning to get the project under way, but finally, thru the cooperation of the local businessmen, the Chamber of Commerce and the county supervisors, a very adequate rest room is under construction.

It will be ready for use this season. Certainly, this is a project that will be useful for many years.

There are many women over the state who, like Mrs. Brown, are doing a fine job of homemaking, and still have time to work for the good of the community. Mrs. Brown lives with her husband and 14-year-old boy on a 240-acre farm.

One of the chief reasons for Mrs. Brown's contribution of time and energy to farm organizations is due to the fact that when she first came back to the farm after her marriage, she was lonely. When she heard that a study club was being organized in her neighborhood, she said to her husband: "I don't care if they study Sanskrit—I'm going!"

And, thru her interest and efforts, other organizations have profited.

How To Cook Potatoes

POTATOES cooked with the jackets on are much higher in food value than when you peel them first.

Then why will housewives persist in peeling and cutting them up first, and throwing the minerals away with the water?

Potatoes peeled before cooking suffer a big vitamin loss—20 to 30 per cent of their Vitamin C, also some thiamin—so says the Bureau of Home Economics.

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Mrs. John Gersema, of Floyd county, Iowa, settles down for an hour of painting, with Johnny in his high chair and Mary Ann beside her.

Painting Textiles As A Hobby

Farm Woman Gets Much Pleasure From Painting Textiles For Family And Friends

MRS. John Gersema, of Floyd county, Iowa, wasn't exactly looking for a hobby when she saw an advertisement for textile paints about three years ago. But she was interested, it was winter, and there was spare time in the evenings. So she ordered one of the sets.

That was the beginning of a hobby that not only is pleasant but one that offers an outlet for an artistic ability she didn't know she possessed.

Mrs. Gersema's first efforts with the new paints were on a lunch-cloth. She had bleached a large feed sack until it was snowy-white and then stenciled in a design. It all came out nicely — the colors and the stencil—but the design was on crooked.

Textile paints have fast colors, and once a design is in, it's there to stay. So the lunch-cloth became a dish-towel—and a very pretty one, too. It is still doing duty. While the design may be crooked, the colors are bright. And it's been washed literally hundreds of times.

By the way, Mrs. Gersema says that feed sacks are fine to work on. They are firm and absorbent.

Mrs. Gersema's house and children show the results of her hobby. The walls of her attractive kitchen are covered with a paper that has an ivy design. She copied this design as a border for her curtains, and repeated it again in a lunch-cloth. The effect of the graceful ivy design in green decoration in a white kitchen is both pleasing and artistic.

Five-year-old Mary Ann has some dainty figures painted on her dresses and aprons. Even two-year-old Johnny has nursery figures on his play-clothes.

The whole family is interested when their mother clears off the dining room table and gets out her box of paints. Johnny is generally tucked carefully out of reach in his high-chair. Here, he can watch and feel that he belongs to the party, but is away from the danger of upsetting paint on his mother's materials.

But Mary Ann is generally given a brush and a piece of material to work out her own designs. And a very good job she does. This makes a family project, for Mr. Gersema is interested in and approves of his wife's hobby.

When she first started to work with textile paints, Mrs. Gersema stayed pretty close to formal designs. It's a little easier to follow straight lines than to work with a free brush.

As she gained confidence in mixing her paints and in handling her brushes, she began to work with a free brush. Tiny designs for handkerchiefs, larger ones for pillow-cases and pillow-tops.

"It's surprising," says Mrs. Gersema, "where you can find designs." Some of them she gets from greeting cards and tally cards, and a friend of hers copied a very attractive one from an old china teapot.

Sometimes a design can be traced from the original onto paper. At other times, it has to be drawn free-hand—as in the case of the design from the teapot.

A good many women over the state are interested in textile painting. Mrs. Gersema belongs to a "round robin" which is circulated among a number of women who are doing this work.

When the "robin" arrives, each woman in the group copies the enclosed patterns. Then she adds a design of her own, with directions, and sends it on. This keeps the women supplied with new patterns and designs.

"A $4 set of textile paints lasts a long time," says Mrs. Gersema. That's what she started out with. But she heartily recommends a brush for each color. This means quite a supply of brushes, but the expenditure is not large, and it does insure clear colors for the finished work.

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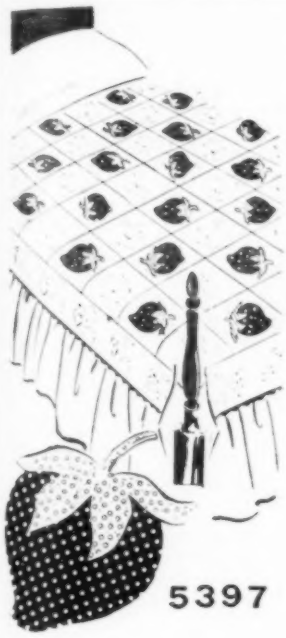
There are five bedrooms in the Henderson house—three upstairs and two downstairs. Here, Darlene, the oldest daughter, shows the storage space that is built in under the dormer windows. Each of the upstairs bedrooms has the same built-in space. This allows for ample closet room.

All the members of the family enjoy the recreation room in the basement. This room is warm, as the house is heated with a gas furnace and forced air. It also has good light and ventilation. This is a room where the children can play and entertain their friends without disturbing the rest of the family.

For Busy Hands



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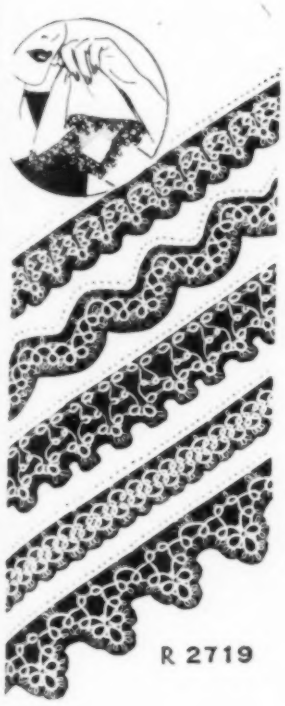

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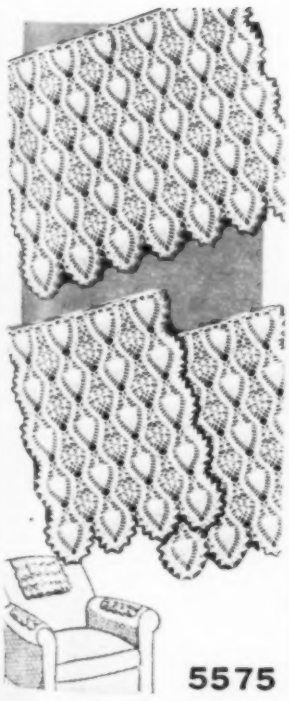

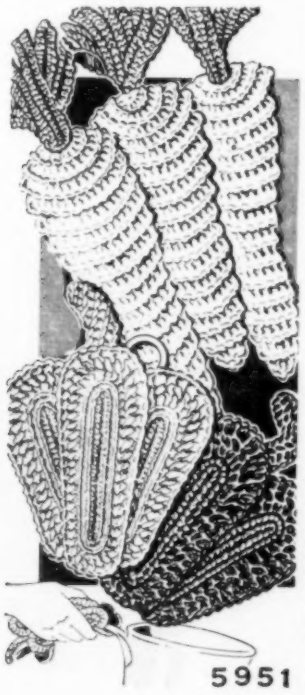

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THE day I sent my money out for crippled children's seals, I saw Charles Laughton in "The Hunchback of Notre Dame." As far as Laughton is concerned, he does a good job, altho he's not as spine-chilling as Lon Chaney was back in the old silent days.

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Or am I just harder to impress?

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I watched the pitiless flogging proceed for fifty strokes. I saw Laughton stagger away from the mob that had been so viciously entertained by his suffering, and I said to my companion: "We have progressed."

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Cruel tales from the Bible, profane history and novels of ancient days (and some not so ancient) about cripples, blind, deformed and sick, come to mind. Pity was an individual matter. Compassion was rare.

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A deformed person was considered to be in league with the Evil One. The mentally warped was a witch.

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Now we have almost weekly drives for betterment. We organize nationally for crippled children. We endow vast sums to help the handicapped.

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Big hospital systems and public health care are a far cry from flogging and the pillory. The printed word tells us about those who need help, radio spots remind us to be compassionate, movies dramatize pitiful stories and joyous recoveries.

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Surely that's a step ahead. Some give science the credit. Others are sure it's the growth of Christendom. Some declare it's all a natural process in evolution of the soul.

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Why must we label it? Just so it works!

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To the horrors of the past, Nazism added the refinements of science. If Russia and the United States don't stop saying "Boo!" to each other, and if we don't learn that atomic energy can blow the whole bloomin' scheme of things to bits, we can very easily slip back that step ahead.

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Oh, well, each generation to its own troubles. Our grandparents had Indians to pop 'em off. We have automobiles. They had ague, but they didn't have high blood pressure. They got a barrel of flour every six months. We get mad if a loaf of bread is delivered unsliced.

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A man from St. Louis drove into Iowa with his seven-year-old son. As they crossed the Iowa line, there was a sign that read "Welcome to Iowa." "How did they know we were coming?" asked the small boy.

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Wouldn't it be wonderful to believe in signs like that? When somebody says: "How are you?" wouldn't you really like to tell them. Instead, we warble cheerily: "Fine. And you?" Hoping to Pete they know the rules of the game and will lie, too.

* * *

Sometimes I wish I could go back to my early impressions of advertising. Just after I learned to read, and every printed word lured my eye, we were riding to town in the bobsled. On the fence was nailed a sign, "W. R. Fields For Fine Groceries."

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"I'd think Mr. Fields would be pleased if he knew somebody had put up such a nice piece about him," I said to my mother.

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"Oh," she said, "he put up the sign himself." That was food for thought for a long time. I looked upon Mr. Fields in the grocery store that day with a wary eye.

"Girls shouldn't have mumps," says Wilma. "They feel mean, look funny." Wilma is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Ficken, of Boone county, Iowa.

There's some weighty reason why Easter falls in March some years. (Connected with the moon and tides, I guess.) No doubt, it's a good thing. We so desperately need a reawakening of faith in March. But I like Easter to come in April.

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It's appropriate for our spiritual Easter to be accompanied by an awakening of nature. We like demonstrations of faith. We can't help it if our hearts skip a beat when the tree in the back yard leafs out in an overnight shower.

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As March merges into April, the fields wear an expectant look. Brown hillsides look refreshed after the long winter's rest. Trees wave restless branches to catch any mild breeze. The willows show a faint green in their stems. Roadside brambles flush a little with returning sap.

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And as April weeps her way into spring, the hills seem almost to breathe. Green creeps along with every breath. The change is wonderful and sure. We soon forget the brown.

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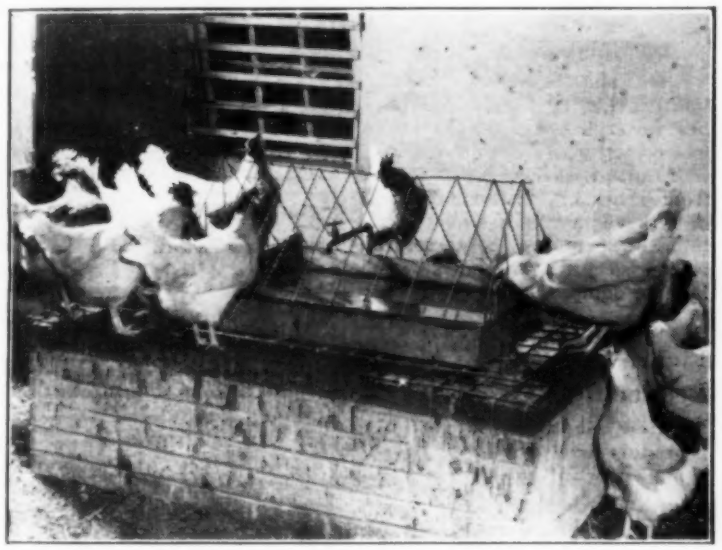
We're at peace with the world. Our faces relax from their winter frowns. Our eyes soften. That's little pigs on them thar hills!

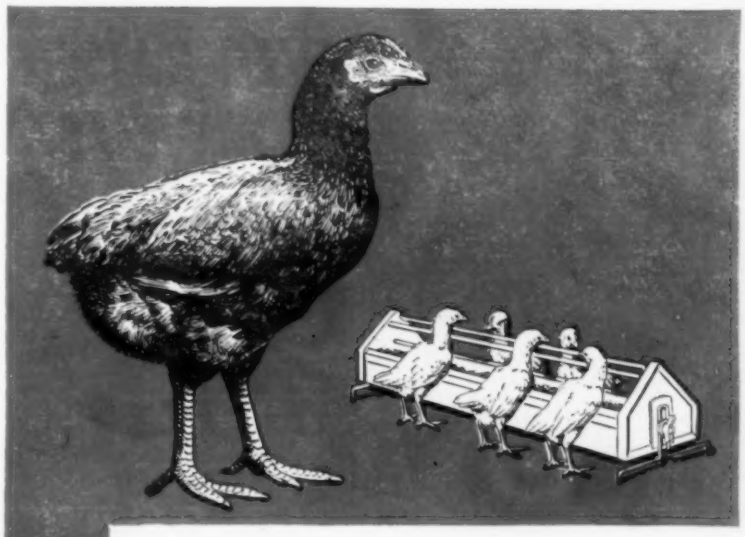
THE FARM FLOCK

Production of 165 pullets on Floyd Chase farm, in Warren county, Iowa, has been 70 to 80 per cent, got up to 85 per cent in mid-winter. His hybrids are cafeteria-fed on mash, whole corn and oats. Automatic lights have been giving them a 14½-hour day.



Brick Fountain keeps Chase's hen house dry. Pullets get all the fresh water they need for high production, have plenty of room to drink it. Spillage escapes thru a drain in the floor. Good ventilation also helps hold down the moisture. Floyd's system includes slot ventilators, inward-slanting windows, insulated walls.

Double-Tiered nests open inward so hens can lay in dark. Boards at front are dropped for easy egg-gathering. Chase uses pieces of mesh in nests to catch the toes, stop litter-scratching. Light you see inside the nests in this photo was for picture-taking purposes only—Floyd says hens seem to lay best in darkened privacy.



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Dose of medicine goes into one of Mrs. Elbert Gray's 200 chicks in Madison county, Iowa.

Keep Spring Mud Off Eggs

Spring mud makes it harder than ever to keep eggs clean. But you can keep dirties to a minimum, say egg marketing specialists at the University of Nebraska if you:

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Figure Cost Of Broilers

How much does it cost to produce broilers? Here's a formula worked out by the Virginia experiment station:

Multiply the cost of feed per pound by 4.4.

Multiply the cost of a baby chick by 0.35

Multiply the cost of labor per hour by 0.06.

Now add these up, then add another 8 per cent to cover other costs, such as buildings and equipment. The total is the production cost per pound of broiler.

If feed costs a nickel per pound, chicks 17 cents apiece, and labor 70 cents an hour, broiler costs per pound would be 34.8 cents under this formula. That's what you'd have to get to break even.

Goose, Chicken Eggs Shouldn't Mix

To the Editor: Can I hatch a few goose eggs along with the hen eggs in my incubator?—Mrs. F. K., Bon Homme County, South Dakota.

Goose eggs shouldn't be hatched with chicken eggs in an artificial incubator, say poultry experts. The temperature for goose eggs should be two degrees lower and humidity should be higher.

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You Will Have To Watch Expenses To Stay Out Of The Red This Year

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POULTRY and egg prices have been fairly good during the last few years. As a result, you haven't had to pay quite so much attention to expenses.

But this year may be different. If you don't keep an eye on costs, you might wind up in the red.

The most important things to watch are death losses, feed and labor costs, and the quality of your product.

Take mortality. Every dead chick hurts you two ways: It does not make any profit itself, and it uses up some of the profit made by the chicks that live.

Yet many flock owners suffer as high as 50 per cent mortality during the growing period.

To avoid that kind of loss, be sure your chicks are good. Buy chicks from pullorum-free stock. And don't take them home until you have checked them to be sure they're lively and aren't gasping for air—a sure sign of respiratory infection.

Changing temperatures kill lots of chicks. A good brooder stove and brooder house will keep temperatures within a 90 to 95-degree range both day and night when chicks are small. A poor brooder regulator and too many south windows mean non-uniform temperatures—and dead chicks.

Cover all but one window on the south side of your brooder house. And provide window openings on the east and west.

Don't buy too many chicks for the size of your house. Even with the best of chicks, overcrowding will raise feed costs by increasing the number of culls and dead chicks, and by cutting gains.

Losses from disease outbreaks will increase if you use unsanitary equipment or turn chicks out on old yards where germs have been spread by old birds. Your best bet is to confine chicks to the brooder house and sun porch until clean ground is available.

One of the surest ways to boost profits is by cutting feed costs. You can't do it by providing less feed. That only causes chicks to make slower gains in weight—and thus really wastes feed.

Overfilling of feeders, or using feeders that permit the chicks to scratch out feed, both cost you money. Never fill feeders more than half full for chicks over two days old. Use feeders that are ample in size and number.

You can also cut feed expense by selling meat birds on time instead of weeks later. Every extra week required to get fryers to market takes extra feed.

Another way to cut costs is by getting the same production with less work. Fast gains that give your cockerels a good finish at 12 weeks produce the most profit with the least labor.

Also, try to find ways to spend less time with the chicks each day without neglecting them. You can do this by using extra feeders and fountains, so once-a-day filling will keep the chicks supplied.

When young birds are on range, fountains and feeders big enough to hold a week's supply will save hours of time without a bit of danger to the flock.

Dependable equipment — good brooder stoves, housing, feeders, fountains—not only protects your flock against accident, but makes one or two visits a day entirely safe and practical.

Quickest way of all to lose money on chicks is to sell low-grade meat birds. Poorly-fleshed birds and those with bare backs usually sell as number two poultry.

You have to sell birds at their quality peak to get the highest price. To do this, sell the heavier and better-fleshed birds first. Then—with more room in which to grow and more time in which to fleshen—many birds which would have graded number two can be raised to number one grade.

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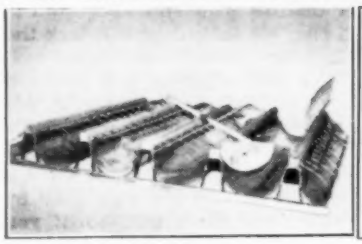

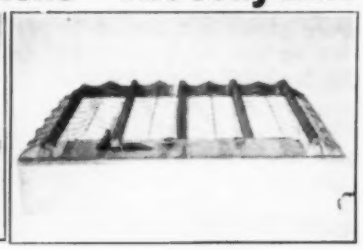

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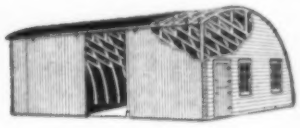

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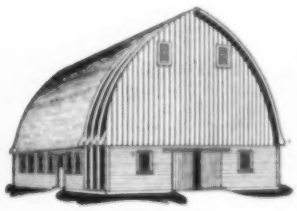

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It's Time To Plant Early Gardens

Some Stuff Should Wait For Warm Weather, But Don't Delay Peas, Lettuce, Root Crops

A recognized expert on farm gardens is Victor Felter, of Warren county, Iowa. Here are his suggestions about making your April plantings.

OUR first garden was planted March 29 this year. This isn't especially early for us. Our garden is always fall-plowed, and usually is ready to plant a week or ten days ahead of spring-plowed gardens.

There were several times this spring when one or two good drying days would have put the soil in condition to work earlier. But we finally got the planting done just ahead of another rainy spell.

In planting an early garden, you must remember that there are two quite distinct types of garden vegetables—early or cool-weather plants and those that love the hot weather and thrive best on it.

Peas, turnips, beets, carrots, lettuce, radishes and early potatoes are on the "must" list for early planting. While the ground is still quite cool, these seeds germinate and start a good root system. Then they're ready to be up and coming when a few warm days come along.

We have sometimes taken a chance on mid-April planting of sweet corn. It often works pretty well. But sometimes the young plants get nipped by frost or become pale-colored and stand still for some time.

Corn is one of the plants that like warm weather. Many a farmer will not plant this main field crop before the middle of May, even tho the weather may appear favorable. But you could take a chance on a few rows of sweet corn.

As a rule, plants of the warm-weather group should make steady and rapid growth and development right from the word "Go"—if they aren't planted too early. In this group are beans, tomatoes and practically all the vine crops.

When plants of this type do not make normal growth from the start, they are more subject to the attacks of plant lice and bugs that retard their development. For the main crops of these vegetables it will usually pay to wait for May weather before planting.

We feel like urging gardeners to try some of the newer offerings in vine crops, in addition to those which have proved satisfactory in your own gardens.

In cucumbers, the Cubit is an all-American winner, and is said to be good enough to eat as it comes from the vine. But our guess is that it would be more palatable if given the usual cucumber pre-table preparation.

The Butternut squash is a dandy, we say. It should not be confused with the Buttercup (another good one) on account of the similarity of names.

While plants of the cabbage family will withstand much cool weather, they are usually started in the cold-frame, hot-bed or greenhouse.

We get plants from the south, said to be frost-proof. But they are no more so than the ones produced here—if we take the same care to expose the local ones gradually to the process of "hardening off."

Care must be taken not to have plants so thick in the bed or row that they have no alternative other than to grow slim and upward. If they do that, they will lack the sturdiness they should have.

We like to have a new or novel vegetable or two each year. In this group we might list broccoli, cauliflower, kohlrabi and Chinese cabbage.

The first two are well liked by worms and plant lice. So, if you give these pests a chance at them, you probably will be disappointed.

The garden will always be more attractive to all who may visit it if it has some easily-grown flowers somewhere near the house.

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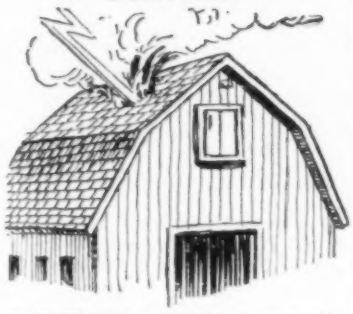

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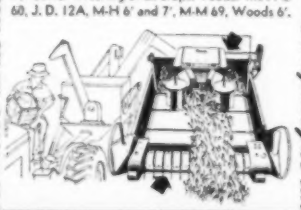

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MOST OF OUR TROUBLES can be traced to the sad truth that we haven't enough soft snaps to go around.—Lake Mills Graphic.

EVERYONE CAN GIVE pleasure to others. Some achieve this by entering a room and others by leaving it.—Clear Lake Reporter.

SOME FOLKS use carpet sweepers and vacuum cleaners to get the dirt. Others use telephones.—Gowrie News.

IN THE GOOD OLD DAYS, the man who saved money was a miser. Nowadays he's a wonder.—Harlan News-Advertiser.

LIFE HAS BEEN aptly described as a struggle to keep one's earning capacity up to one's yearning capacity.—Blakesburg Excelsior.

THE BLIND were given a special reduction on their income tax report. We suppose this covered some basketball and baseball officials.—Danbury Review.

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IT'S VERY EASY to notice somebody else's intolerance, but one usually can manage to explain satisfactorily his own biases.—Estherville News.

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A TRADE PUBLICATION states that the most observant reporter of all time was the one who noticed Lady Godiva was on a horse.—Winfield Beacon.

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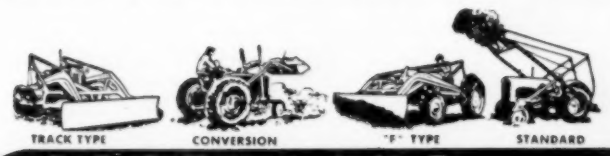

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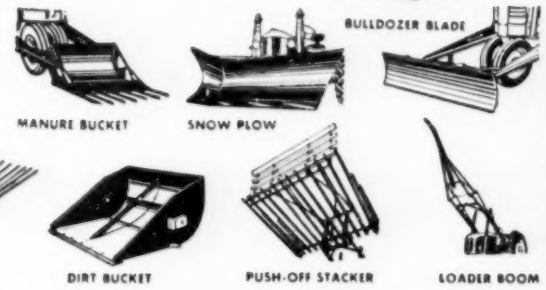

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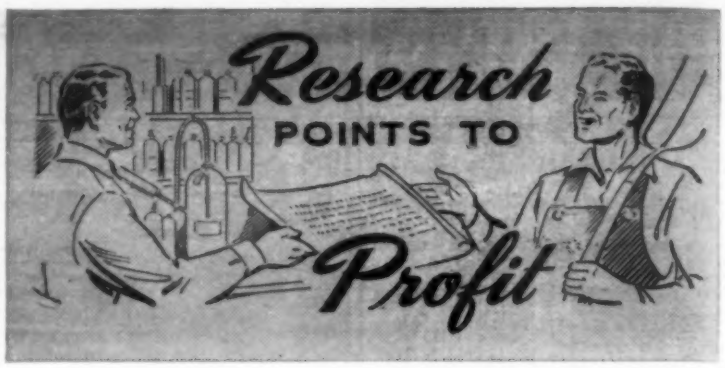

Maybe you will want to try some of the ideas you read about in this column. If you do, go ahead. But, remember, in many cases you will be experimenting. In order to keep you posted on new developments in agricultural research, some projects are reported when they are still in the "testing" stage. When that happens, publication here is not to be taken as an unqualified recommendation.

Oklahoma Reports On Urea

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This mixture sharply improved lamb crops and is now available commercially at a cost very little above that of iodized salt.

Pre-Emergence Still Experimental

Altho some farm and experiment station tests have given good results, 2,4-D pre-emergence spraying is still in the experimental stage, says the USDA.

In many experiments, pre-emergence spraying with 2,4-D gave satisfactory control of broad-leafed annual weeds, crab grass, foxtail and other annual grasses.

However, moisture, temperature, time of application and other factors so influence results that pre-emergence spraying can not generally be recommended from the data now available.

Rock Phosphate Rates Well

Rock phosphate has compared favorably with other phosphates as a plant food for clover, alfalfa and grain crops in tests at the University of Missouri.

In a three-year test (1946 thru 1948), one test plot of limed soil got an application of 1,500 pounds of rock phosphate per acre. Another similar plot was treated with 100 pounds of 40 per cent superphosphate. Wheat yields were slightly less on rock phosphate plots, but yields of red clover hay were higher.

According to A. W. Klemme, Missouri soils specialist, 1,500 pounds per acre of rock phosphate will meet needs of phosphate-deficient soils for six to ten years. The rock phosphate seems to work best in rotations which include clover or alfalfa, or on pastures and meadows which include clover.

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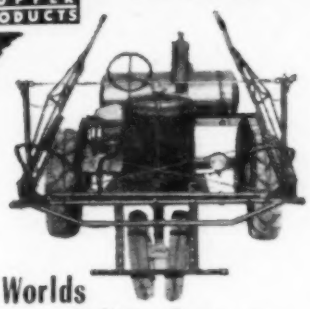

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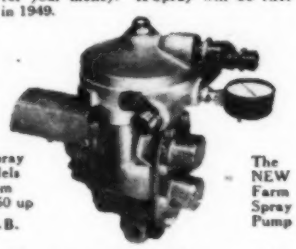

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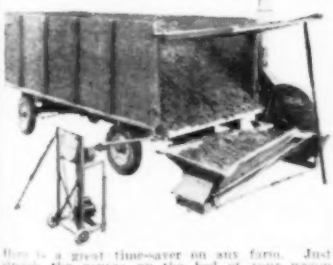

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But, for dairy cows, the USDA says there is a risk of DDT being absorbed thru the skin and small quantities being secreted in the milk.

This fact has caused the Federal Food and Drug Administration to rule that any dairy products containing DDT would be subject to seizure if they are shipped across state lines.

So, for dairy cows, the USDA now recommends use of a substitute fly-killer called methoxychlor. It is as effective as DDT. And it is safer for warm-blooded animals, including humans. It is not so apt to be secreted in milk.

Keep DDT away from the milk rooms, too, says USDA. And they say not to use it in the part of the barn where dairy cows are handled and milked.

For other buildings, fences, house screens, etc., keep spraying DDT. Anywhere that flies light, DDT will catch them.

The USDA adds that forage treated with DDT should not be fed to dairy animals or to livestock which is being finished for slaughter.

Iowa Follows USDA Advice On DDT

"The various states have no choice but to go along with Federal Food and Drug Administration and USDA recommendations with regard to DDT and the other organic chlorides on dairy cattle," says Harold Gunderson, Iowa extension entomologist.

"The recommendation need not hamper effective fly control in Iowa this season," he adds. It does make sanitation more important than ever, Gunderson explained.

"Ordinary DDT can still be used anywhere on farms where there are no dairy cattle. Or on dairy farms ordinary DDT can be used on buildings other than the dairy barn, and on other classes of livestock," Gunderson says.

Dr. H. M. Harris, state entomologist, points out that methoxychlor is available and is applied in the same way as DDT. It is a close chemical relative of DDT. You may see methoxychlor referred to as methoxy-DDT.

Harris explains that it is definitely not excreted in milk or found in the fat of animals treated with it. It appears to be just as effective against flies as ordinary DDT, he says.

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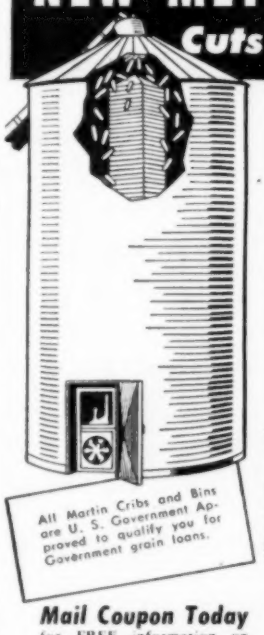

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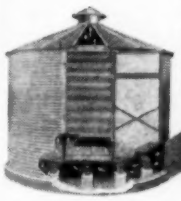

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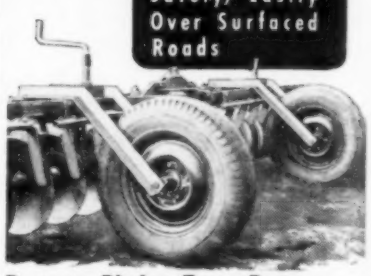

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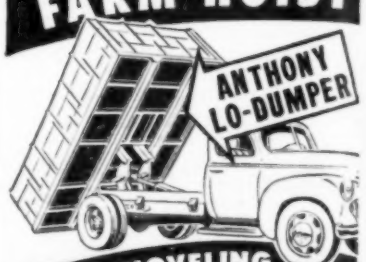

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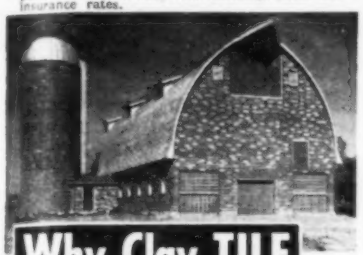

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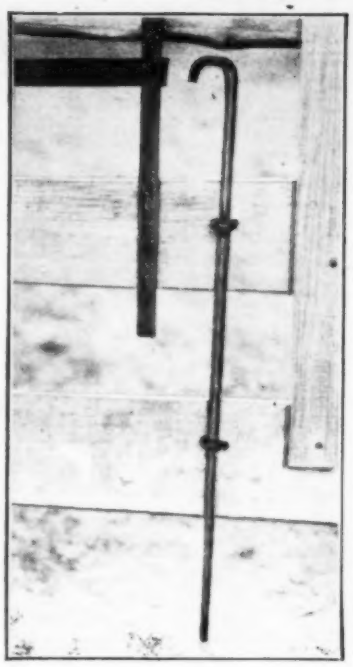

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If you plan to run hogs on this pasture, you might try a combination of oats, sweet clover and rape.

If you plan to put some milk cows on this pasture, you could do this: Divide the field in half. Sow oats and clover in one half for early pasture. Sow sudan grass in the second half for summer and fall pasture.

Follow These Rules To Save Calves

Two simple precautions will help keep down your calf losses, say dairymen at the University of Illinois.

First, give your cows a clean place to freshen. In bad weather, they should have their calves in disinfected, well-bedded maternity stalls. In good weather, they can freshen outdoors on clean pasture—preferably alone.

Second, disinfect the calf's navel with iodine immediately after it is born.

What Are Uses For 2,4,5-T?

To the Editor: What are the weeds controlled best by the new 2,4,5-T? — A. H., Linn County, Missouri.

For control of certain bushy weeds, 2,4,5-T seems to be much more effective than 2,4-D. But for common weeds, it is no better than 2,4-D.

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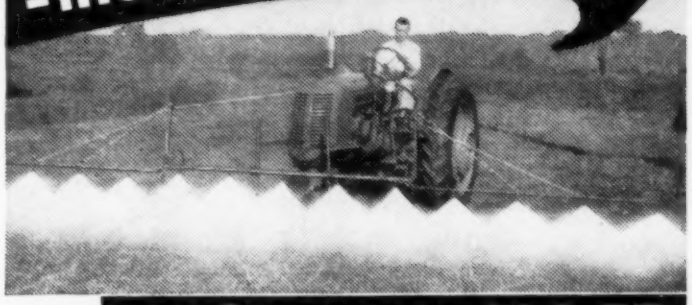

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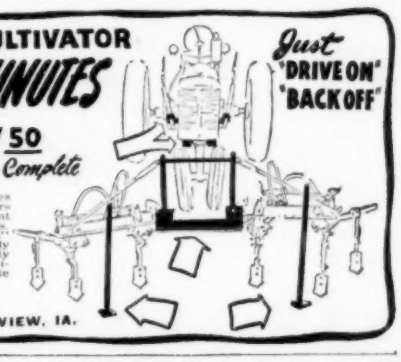

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John Hudson, Vilak's new State Manager has been out looking over the Iowa situation. He's doing a good job in helping Vilak dealers and Vilak feeders.

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As we are writing this, there is a Shorthorn Show and Sale in progress. The Champion Bull exhibited by Judge Tedford Miles, Corydon, Iowa, was VILAK fed . . . so was Champion Cow exhibited by Ben Studor. Both these men have been feeding VILAK for a good many years. The $1,000 bull sold by Pennington Brothers is a VILAK fed animal . . . they told me Vilak mineral is quite necessary to do a good job.

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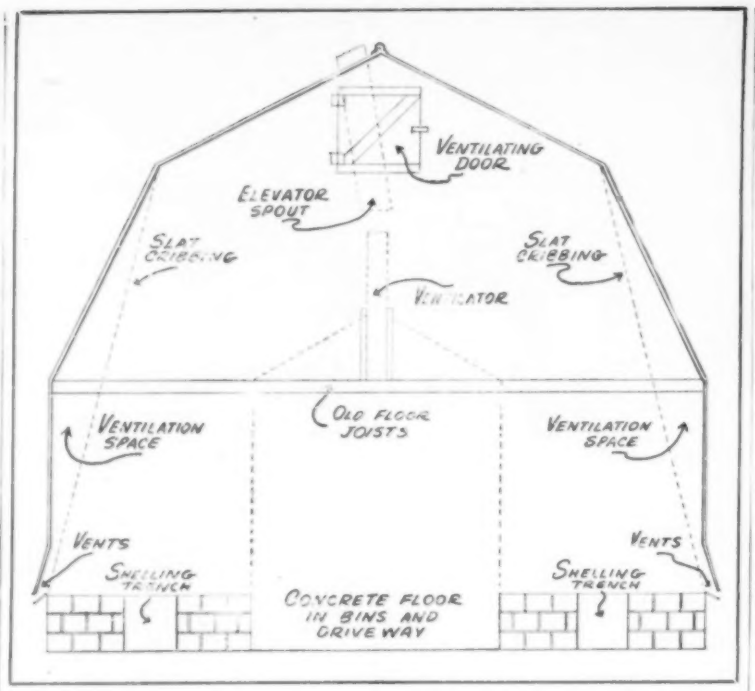

End View shows cross-section of old 26x32 horse barn which W. L. Jackson, of Floyd county, Iowa, converted into a corn crib. As a barn, building had stalls for 12 horses plus a harness room.

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Unusual Remodeling Job Turned Old Hip-Roof Horse Barn Into A Sturdy Corn Crib

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The barn, 26x32 feet, was on an old rock foundation. So Jackson poured a new concrete foundation and floor. He put a 20x20-inch shelling trench on each side, and left a 10-foot concrete driveway.

He cut off the bottom of the studding, lowered the barn so it is now nine feet from the floor of the crib to the old haymow floor.

The sides of the crib were flared by sawing triangular-shaped pieces of 2x8 to nail on the old studding. Then, to keep the corn from rolling out, where the flare was made, and to provide air

Jackson didn't want to remove siding, but he wanted ventilation. So he flared the siding at the bottom of the crib. Cross-section at the top of the page shows how he used slat cribbing to hold ear corn away from the walls and provide room for circulation of air.

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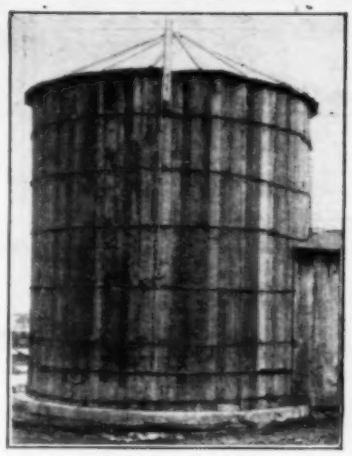

Two wooden stave silos stood idle on the Jackson farm in Floyd county, Iowa. So W. L. Jackson sawed one in half and put each half on a new concrete foundation. One silo made two 2,500-bushel, 16x16 round bins.

space, he put snow-fence from the sill to the roof of the building. (See diagram at the top of the opposite page.)

That leaves the cribs about 7½ feet in width at the widest point. He also hinged a board at the bottom of the flare (see photo at bottom of opposite page), so he can keep snow out after the corn is dry.

He left the old 2x8, 26-foot haymow sills just as they were originally. The haymow floor was ripped into three-inch crib siding for the driveway.

Inside the crib, the walls don't go straight up. At the nine-foot mark they start following the contour of the roof of the building. At the center of the driveway is an eight-inch ventilating slot.

The diagram at the top of the opposite page shows this. Corn falls from the elevator spout onto this ventilator. As it rolls down into the crib, a lot of shelled corn and dirt sift out.

"When we had finished last fall, there was eight or ten inches of shelled corn all over this driveway," Jackson says. "Getting that shelled corn out helps the ear corn to dry faster and to keep better."

"I have only used this one season. I am anxious to try it out on some wet corn," Jackson says. "I feel sure that it will work out fine. And I think it is also built so it would be easy to use a drier here."

He used four wire cables with turn-buckles to further brace the crib, running two each way.

Jackson also had need for small grain storage, but didn't need the wooden stave silo he had. So he cut the old 16x32-foot silo into halves and made two 16x16 grain bins.

He set each of the halves on a concrete foundation, high in the center. And he added an extra support ring toward the bottom. Like everyone else, Jackson knows there will be a lot of corn to be reseal ed next fall.

He doesn't know what farmers will be paid for storage; that has not been announced yet. But 10 cents a bushel is the rumor.

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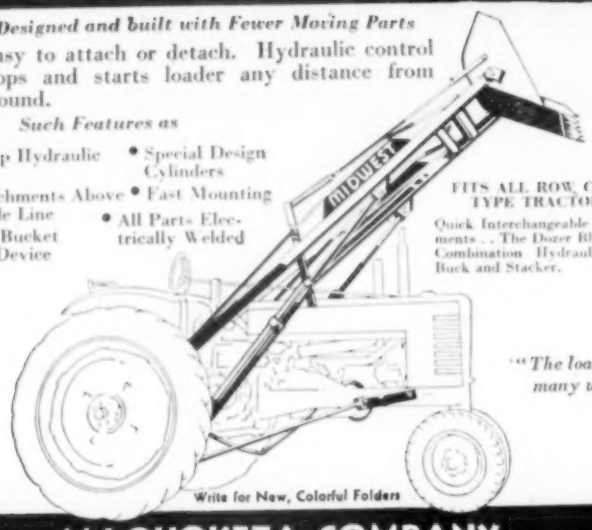

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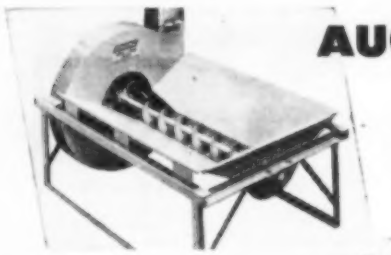

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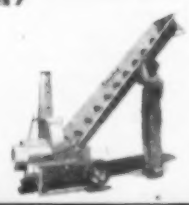

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NEW COUNTY extension director in Marion county, Iowa, is Leo Waggoner, lately vocational agriculture instructor at Wellman. He succeeds Gress Rogers, who moves to Tama county.

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IOWA FARM PRICES went up a little last month—from an index of 261 to 274 (1909-1914 is 100). Index of farm expenses stayed at 264. So parity index rose to 104 after dropping to 99 in February.

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MARCIA GASTON, Clay county, Iowa, and Durward Lyon, Tama county, are among 50 American farm youths chosen to spend three months on European farms this summer. Miss Gaston will go to Sweden, Lyon to Finland.

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NUMBER OF COUNTY soil conservation districts in Iowa has been increased to 96 with establishment of districts in Palo Alto, Bremer, Clay and Sioux. Only counties not yet organized are Lyon, Osceola, Mitchell, Howard.

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DARRELL A. RUSSEL has been named district extension director in soil conservation for east-central Iowa, with headquarters at Cedar Rapids. He will be in charge of soil conservation education in a 13-county strip from Des Moines to the Mississippi.

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ELECTRIC SERVICE will be extended to more Iowa farmers as a result of new REA loans to Hancock County Rural Electric Cooperative, Garner ($190,000), Nishnabotna Valley Rural Electric Cooperative, Harlan ($640,000), and Buchanan County Rural Electric Cooperative, Independence ($240,000).

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FLYING FARMERS and other pilots will get special attention at this year's Drake Relays, April 29 and 30. Relays officials will run busses on a frequent schedule between Beaver field, at the north edge of Des Moines, and Drake Stadium. Tickets may be obtained by writing Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa.

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NEW PRESIDENT of the Iowa Association of County Extension Home Economists is Ruth Foster, Washington county. She succeeds Myrtle Hewitt, Humboldt county. Other officers are: Mrs. Merle Bovis, Jackson, vice-president; Mary Frances Kelly, Hardin, secretary; Maxine Smith, West Pottawattamie, treasurer; Mrs. Winter Mackay, Madison, historian.

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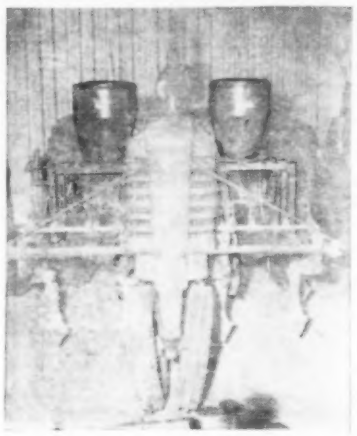

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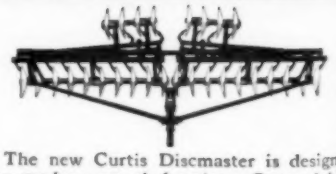

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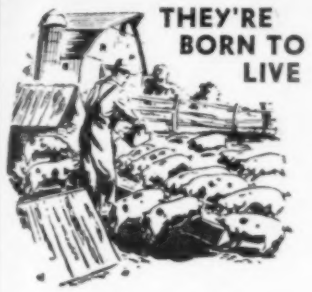

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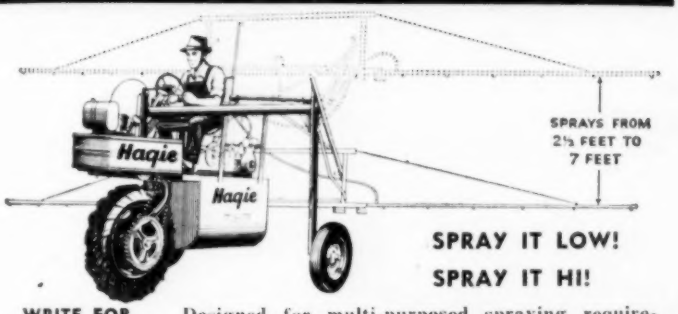

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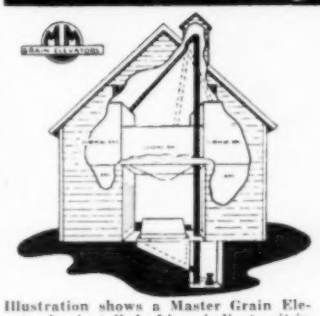

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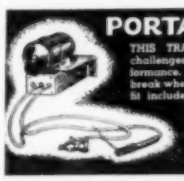

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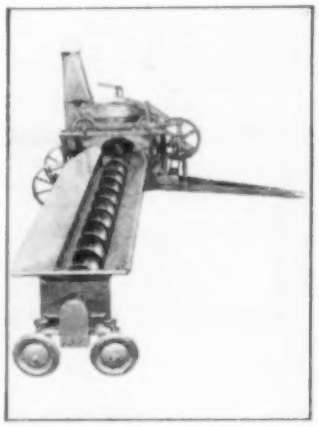

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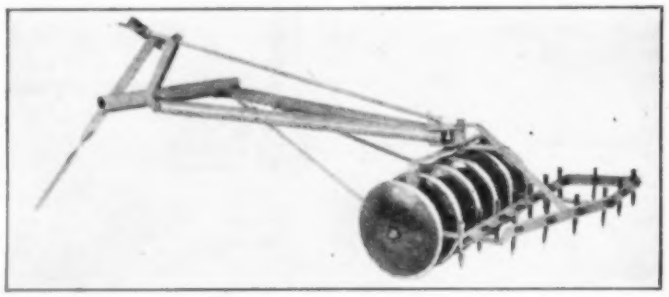

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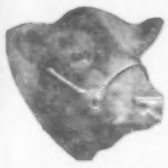

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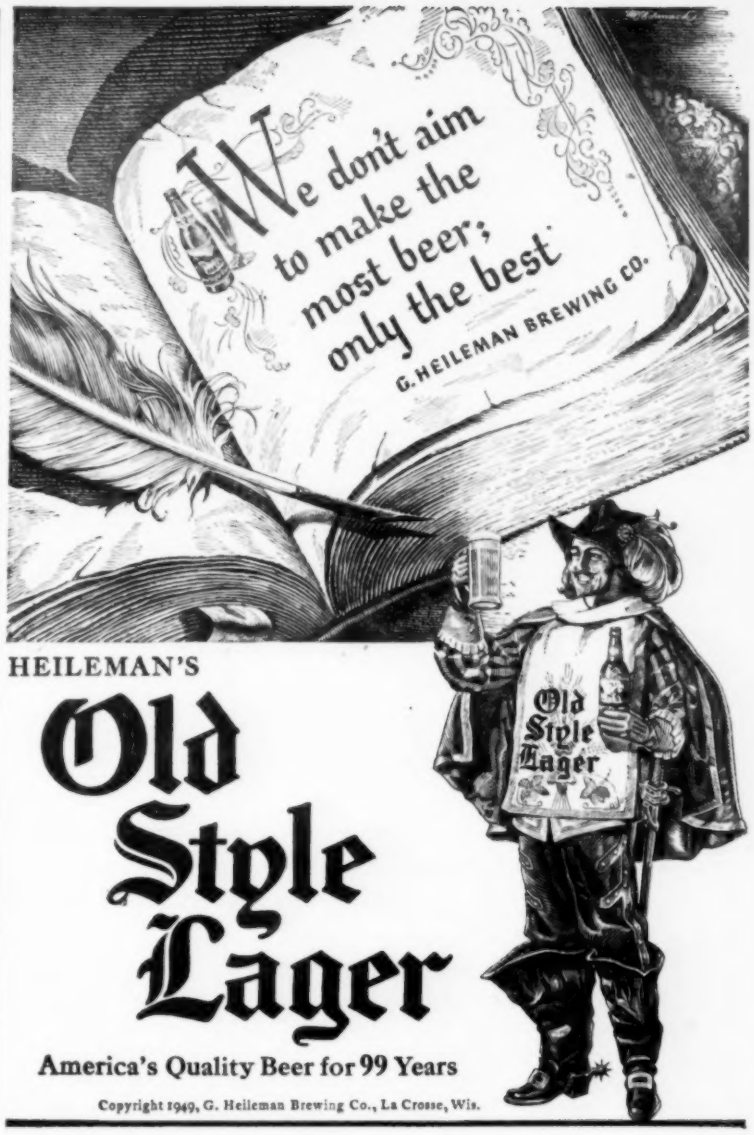

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Livestock News

The sixth annual Sioux Empire Shorthorn show and sale, at Sioux Falls, S. D., March 29, drew a record-breaking attendance. Eighty-eight boys gathered for the judging contest, which was held during the morning. Bertus Rave, Trent, S. D., won first place by turning in a perfect score. The pre-sale show was judged by Harry Ackerman, Wilson, Ill. For his champion bull he selected an extremely good-headed, thick, low-set bull which proved very popular with all attending the show and sale. This outstanding roan coming two-year-old, sired by Weston Trademark, by Newellyn Ringleader, was consigned by the veteran breeder, Fred Lee, Briton, S. D. After much spirited bidding, which saw four contending bidders battling it out well past the $2,000 mark, this champion sold for $2,475, going to the good herd of Dewar Bros., Cherokee, Iowa. The reserve champion bull, a red yearling by Prince William, and consigned by Ben G. Studer, Wesley, Iowa, went to Frank Adams & Son, Hartley, Iowa, for $725. The 14-month-old grandson of O A C Ransom 23d, consigned by Held Bros., Hinton, Iowa, sold for $1,000 to F. C. Newlin & Sons, Armstrong, Iowa. Another Held entry, a red coming two-year-old sired by Marellbar Ian, brought $1,000, going to Bernard Megard, Sherman, S. D. The red coming two-year-old son of Millhills Starry Archer, consigned by Carl L. Retzlaff & Sons, Walton, Neb., went to Louie Telkamp, Brookings, S. D., on a bid of $875. The champion female, a red heifer sired by Prince William, consigned by Studer, sold to Milligate Farm, Wadsworth, Ill., for $825. Millgate Farm also purchased the reserve champion female, a red heifer by Millhills Starry Archer, consigned by Retzlaff, for $800. The top price on females was reached on the Clausen Bros., Spencer, Iowa, heifer by Goldfinder's Royal, bred to Claymore Prince Control. Gus Anderson, Hartley, Iowa, paid $840 for this good, red coming two-year-old. The 28 bulls sold for an average of $562, with the 29 females averaging $377, making a general average of $466 on the 57 lots. Al Halverson, Sioux Falls, S. D., managed the sale, which saw a large number selling to Iowa buyers.

Otto G. Nobis and son Dick, owners of the well-known Wilton Farms,—one of the great herds of the Angus breed—held their sale at Davenport, Iowa, on March 21. Cattle men were present from California, Texas, Connecticut, South Carolina and many other states, as well as Canada. This indicates the high esteem in which the Nobis family stands with the Angus fraternity. Bandolier 101st of Wilton, a son of Evader's Quality Bandolier, out of Black Beauty of Don Head, started the sale, going to Kentridge Farm, Muscatine, Iowa, at $4,500. Bandolier 223d of Wilton, a son of Bandolier 44th of Wilton, out of the famous show and breeding cow, Blackcap Bessie 23d of Page, undefeated wherever shown and producer of several champions, sold for $16,000 to F. B. Davis, Jr., owner of Brays Island Plantation, Yemassee, S. C. Bandolier 130th of Wilton, by the same sire and out of Blackcap Bess 7th of Ada, was second top bull, selling at $7,000 to Harold Reif, Bonniecroft Farms, Renfrew, Pa. Bandolier 144th of Wilton sold for $4,200 to Dillenbeck & Son, Geneseo, Ill., and Lymann Kemmis & Sons, of Prophetstown, Ill. Bandolier 115th of Wilton brought $3,500, and was purchased by C. T. Wambold, Winterset, Iowa. The top female was Blackcap Bessie 9th of Wilton, a daughter of Bandolier 44th of Wilton, out of Blackcap Bessie of Page, and sold mated to Bandolier 123d of Wilton. She was selected by Hideaway Farms, Chester, N. J., at $5,500. Blackcap Bessie 7th of Wilton was second top female, selling at $4,500 to J. L. Hankins, Uniontown, Pa. The 13 bulls averaged $3,586, with 55 females at $1,221, and the 68 lots sold for $113,785, a general average of $1,673. Thirty-three head sold for $1,000 or over. The offering was distributed as follows: Iowa 20, Wisconsin 4, Illinois 10, Oklahoma 9, Missouri 6, New Jersey 5, Connecticut 4, Ohio 2, Pennsylvania 2, New York 1, South Carolina 1, Texas 1, Nebraska 1 and California 1. Auctioneers, Roy Johnston, Ray Sims and Paul Good.

The Iowa Hereford Cattle Breeders Association held their spring sale at Sioux City, Iowa, March 22. A good crowd was on hand to partake of this good offering. Cap Thiesen, Osmond, Neb., paid, $935 and $840 for the two coming two-year-olds sired by Battle Intense 8th, consigned by E. O. Johnson & Son, Milford, Iowa. The three-year-old Royal Stanway, by Royal H. Domino 9th, consigned by Melvin Jensen, Everly, Iowa, sold for $710 to John Nilles, Ashton, Iowa. The 30 bulls sold for an average of $400, with the four females averaging $230. The cattle sold to buyers from Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota and Minnesota.

Phillip Funke Passes

Phillip Funke, Greenfield, Iowa, died Tuesday, March 29, from a heart attack. He was born in 1881, in Adair county, and had lived in that county all his life. He was a prominent breeder of high-class Shorthorn cattle and owned a good herd. His passing will be felt by his many friends and members of the livestock fraternity.

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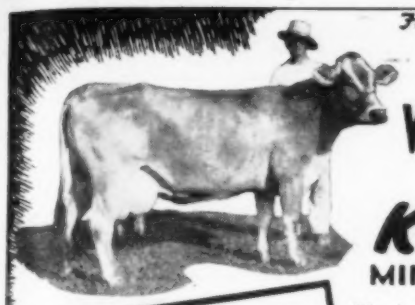

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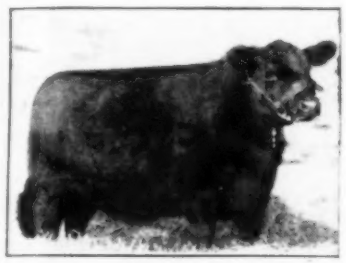

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June 13—Wayland A. Hopley, Atlantic, Iowa.
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Livestock News

The "Jilt Jubilee" Angus sale, at Columbus Junction, Iowa, March 22, with 90 well-bred cattle from the herds of Twin Knolls Farm, Bar H. Farms, Nau Angus Farm and Goose Creek Farms, brought out a fine attendance of good cattle men from a wide territory. Those present were most complimentary regarding the quality of the cattle. The three bred bulls exhibited were Elleenmere 1023d, Bandolier of Anoka 46th and Erica Bandolier of Anoka 25th, and females mated to them were in strong demand. The top was Blackcap Bessie 23d of Ada, consigned by Henry Barthenhagen & Sons, and sold for $1,900 to Roy F. Weaver, Shullsburg, Wis. Jilt 8th of Goose Creek, a daughter of Eli Bandolier of Longview Farms, and from Goose Creek Farms, sold for $1,000 to John Warne of Marycrest Farm, Maloy, Iowa. Pam Pride of Goose Creek, by Bandolier-mere 4th, sold for $800 to Leonard Dieter & Son, Schleswig, Iowa. Bar H. Jean 2d, Lassie 2d, from Bar H. Farm, and by Eli Bandolier of Longview, sold for $775 to Elizabeth Eaton, Quincy, Ill. Banner Maid of Twin Knolls, from the F. D. Smylie & Son herd, a daughter of Eric Prince M. 4th, was purchased by Leslie Oliver, Williamsburg, Iowa, at $750. The top bull, Banter of Barwood, from Goose Creek Farm, sold for $1,000 to Earl J. Gode, Marengo, Iowa. The top five females averaged $1,095, with the top 10 at $874 and the top 20 at $633 each. The 60 females averaged $432.92 and the five bulls $487 each, and the 65 lots sold for $28,410, a general average of $437.08. Auctioneers, Johnston and Sims.

The Spotted Poland sale of Homer Wicks, Radcliffe, Iowa, March 11, was very successful. The top, Lot 6, sold for $320 to Harvey Larson, Elk Horn, Iowa. Lot 25 went to Leland Dellinger, Shell Rock, Iowa, at $200. The 34 head averaged $155, with 10 fall boars at $101 each.

Around the Farm AND IN THE Feed Lot

by E. A. KELLOWAY

IN UNDERTAKING the editing of this column, I recognize the challenge and the opportunity it provides. Every effort will be made to continue these paragraphs in an interesting and informative manner. We, at Walnut Grove, consider "Around The Farm And In The Feedlot" as a service to the livestock industry. We will endeavor to keep this service on the highest plane. We hope our readers will find these comments worth-while as well as interesting.

CLEAN GROUND and a lot of sunshine are two of the first essentials to successful hog production. Putting the sows and their pigs on clean, green pasture or meadow assures more exercise and more nutritious, green feed—as well as a plentiful supply of the "sunshine" vitamins. Iowa State College men suggest a plan employing three lots that can be rotated, with oats, rape and alfalfa or clover in the rotation.

THE CALENDAR for hog raisers also calls for several other reminders at this season of the year. Suggestions for the months of April and May include ear-marking the better litters of pigs, full feeding the sows after farrowing time, creep feeding the pigs, castrating anywhere from a week to three or four weeks of age, vaccinating at four to six weeks, arranging adequate water and feed facilities on clean range, and seeing that Walnut Grove Minerals are at hand.

FARMERS WHO FARM ON THE CONTOUR can expect good returns through higher crop yields and by saving soil, George Browning, USDA soil conservationist at Iowa State College, says tests last year showed corn planted on the contour yielded 7½ bushels more per acre than corn planted up and down hills. Figuring corn at a dollar per bushel, that would mean a very sizable increased return on every acre, and on every farm in every community where contouring is done.

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IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, Iowa, a group of 36 farm women are now making reports to their own and neighboring clubs and organizations about a trip they recently made thru Iowa, Missouri, Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois. Purpose of the tour was to learn more about family living conditions, study agricultural and industrial development and to see points of historic interest, such as Lincoln's tomb, Mark Twain's birthplace and the Blue Grass country horse farms.

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RURAL SCHOOL PUPILS in a one-room school near Oconto, Wisconsin, apparently have quite a sense of humor—or obedience. The whole gang trooped into the school during recess time recently and told their teacher they wanted a fire drill. Puzzled, the teacher asked why they wanted the drill right then and there. "Because," the youngsters chorused, "the school's on fire." It was, too, so the youngsters' demand may have helped save the teacher from harm.

LOOKS LIKE RECORD EXPORTS will be sent from the United States this year. Indication of how great the volume is can be seen in the predicted wheat exports of more than 400 million bushels. The shipments should help Europe rebuild its war-shattered economy and its food stockpiles and at the same time should help keep down this nation's surpluses, thus help stabilize American grain prices.

IT IS NOW a well-established fact that all livestock will do better on balanced feeds than where they have free access to what they want to eat. This will be especially true with the spring pigs that will make your hogs fit for the year. It's a good plan to balance your feeds with as much home-grown feed as possible. Then supply a little protein and a little mineral. Walnut Grove is a mighty good mineral to use in balancing these rations. Some of the men in Cerro Gordo county, who use Walnut Grove in balancing their hog feeds, include Walter Busse, John Alberts, Henry Boekelman, August Sprung, Mrs. Ima Dresbach, Everett Rosenau and G. E. Punke. These men are serviced in that territory by our representative, Dowia Pals, of Swaledale.

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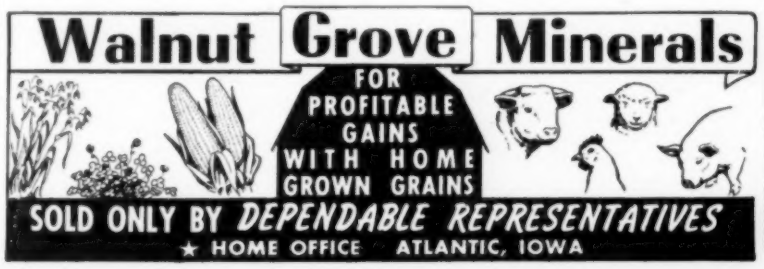
"SEE YOUR DENTIST TWICE A YEAR" is a slogan that can be applied indirectly to cows as well as to humans. Dr. L. M. Hurt, president of the American Veterinary Association, says that if a cow's teeth bother her she can't chew her feed and end right, hence loses part of the feed value. This means waste of feed and loss of milk, so if there's any suspicion of bad teeth among your cows, it will be well to have a vet check "Rossy."

LOTS OF UNUSUAL THINGS happen on midwestern farms, but one of the oddest of any we've noted in recent weeks took place on the Floyd Nielsen farm in Pocahontas county, Iowa. One of Nielsen's hens "adopted" an entire litter of eight squealing, hungry pigs, and what a time she has had trying to hover over them and to feed them. She clucks loud and long when she scratches feed for them—and eight hungry pigs call for lots of scratching. Moreover, as the pigs grew, the "little red hen" went darn near crazy trying to spread her feathers out wide enough to keep all the young porkers "under her wings."



Livestock News

The Eastern Iowa Angus Breeders Association held their Beefland sale the night of March 21, at Davenport, Iowa. Queenmere 441st, a May, 1947, bull from the Otto V. Battles herd at Maquoketa, Iowa, sold for the high price in the bull division, $1,325, to Endsley & Runnells, West Branch, Iowa. Dr. C. E. Block, Davenport, Iowa, paid $1,400 for Irene of Rosemere 63d, carrying the service of Prince Sunbeam 300th, from the Battles herd. Henry Eller, Tipton, Iowa, paid $625 for the coming two-year-old heifer from the Harold E. Eller herd, of Tipton, Iowa. Raymond Kile, West Liberty, Iowa, gave $525 for the yearling daughter of Envious Blackcap B., consigned by W. J. Walshire, Mechanicsville, Iowa. The 10 bulls sold for an average of $530, with the 43 females averaging $335, making a general average of $373 on the 53 lots. Oliver A. Hansen, sale manager, of Durant, Iowa, deserves much credit for assembling this fine lot of useful cattle. Most of the cattle sold to Iowa buyers. Ray Sims was the auctioneer.

The Chester White sale of Nick Terpstra & Sons, New Sharon, Iowa, March 30, brought a large attendance of breeders. The top boar was Lot 5, selling for $225 to Paul Cripe & Sons, Amenia, N. D. Lot 6 sold for $155 to Inez Siegfried, Carthage, Ill. Lot 41 went for $135 to John Sims, Knoxville, Iowa. Lot 12 sold for $130 to B. J. Sims, Burlington, Iowa. The top gilt, Lot 37, sold for $80 to Paul Cripe & Sons. The gilts could have brought more money. The 26 boars averaged $106, with 48 gilts at $65, and 74 head of fall pigs—boars and gilts—averaged $75.50. Auctioneer, J. E. Halsey.

The Knotek Bros. and Harold C. Timm Duroc sale, Muscatine, Iowa, February 3, was most successful. The top, Lot 27, went to Ernest Johnson, Prophetstown, Ill., at $400. Lot 28 went to Johnson also, at $400, and Lot 26 to Edgar Bijalk, of Cresco, Iowa, at $405. Lot 1 was bought by Alfred J. Paustian, Tipton, Iowa, at $300. The top fall boar, Lot 75, sold for $150 to Oscar Baldwin, Akron, Iowa. The 50 bred sows averaged $207.25.

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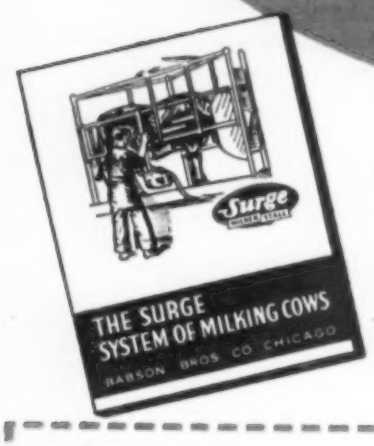

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